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Whoa~
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IT'S PRETTY HOT, EVEN THOUGH IT'S ONLY MAY.
AND THERE WEREN'T AS MANY PLACES I COULD LIVE IN AS I THOUGHT...
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GEEZ~ WHAT A PAIN...! SHOULD I JUST BUY AN ENTIRE APARTMENT?

CHAPTER 14: ACCIDENT

新展開突入センターカラー!!

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Re:BIRTH

The Lunatic Taker

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《PHANTOM》

CAN USE A UNIQUE PHANTOM SKILL

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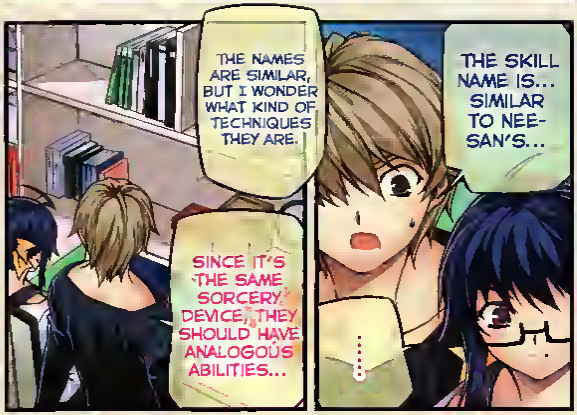
《PHANTOM KILLER》

CAN USE A SPECIALIZED SKILL AGAINST PHANTOM SKILLS


THE NAMES ARE SIMILAR, BUT I WONDER WHAT KIND OF TECHNIQUES THEY ARE.
SINCE IT'S THE SAME SORCERY DEVICE, THEY SHOULD HAVE ANALOGOUS ABILITIES...
THE SKILL NAME IS... SIMILAR TO NEE-SAN'S...

YOU CAN RETAIN IT EVEN IF YOUR LIFE POINTS GO DOWN BECAUSE IT'S A UNIQUE SKILL, RIGHT?
ACCORDING TO THE INFORMATION FROM THIS, YES. CHECK YOURS TOO, REIJI.

WE SHOULD LOOK INTO THIS A LITTLE FURTHER. IT WOULDN'T BE FUNNY IF WE DON'T KNOW HOW TO USE THEM WHEN THE TIME COMES...
...
ESPECIALLY SINCE WE HAD A HARD TIME AGAINST THE ENEMY'S SKILL EARLIER.
ABOUT THAT...
ONLY ONE OF THEM APPEARED, RIGHT...?
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NATURALLY, RIGHT? THE OTHER ONE ONLY HAD 1 LIFE POINT LEFT...
SHE MUST HAVE BEEN KILLED TRYING TO STEAL LIFE POINTS FROM THE OTHER.

LIKE I WOULD EVER THROW IT AWAY...!! THE LIFE THAT KAGAMI GAVE ME!!

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UM... WHAT I THINK IS THAT
I'M BACK~!
OH, IT SEEMS HATSUHI-CHAN'S BACK...
WELCOME HOME.
YOU HAVEN'T EATEN YET, HAVE YOU?
IT'S HOT~! WATER FIRST~!! PUT IN A LOT OF ICE~
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SO, I FOUND THIS THING...
WHILE WALKING TODAY.

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N- NO... I JUST... THOUGHT THEY MIGHT LOOK GOOD ON YOU...
I... LIKE THEM.
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NO!!
THEY DON'T SEEM THAT EXPENSIVE ... BUT I THOUGHT I MIGHT AS WELL TAKE THEM TO THE POLICE OFFI...

...!
WH- WHAT'RE YOU... YELLING FOR ALL OF A SUDDEN ...?

R-RIGHT, NEE-SAN? AREN'T THEY PERFECT FOR NATSUHI!?
DON'T YOU THINK SO TOO, NEE-SAN?
TRY THEM ON ONCE! I'M TELLING YOU, THEY'D LOOK GREAT ON YOU!!
.....
HUH...? OH, SURE...

WHAA? WOULD THESE LOOK GOOD ON ME? BUT YOU HAVE TO PUT HOLES IN YOUR EARS FOR PIERCINGS...
WHY DON'T YOU? IT'S AN UNUSUAL DESIGN, BUT THEY DON'T LOOK SO EXPENSIVE!!
YOU'VE GOT A GREAT BODY, SO IT'D BE KILLER IF YOU WORE THOSE!
I BET THE OWNER WON'T SHOW UP!!
You're really weird all of a sudden... are you complementing me? Or fooling around with me?
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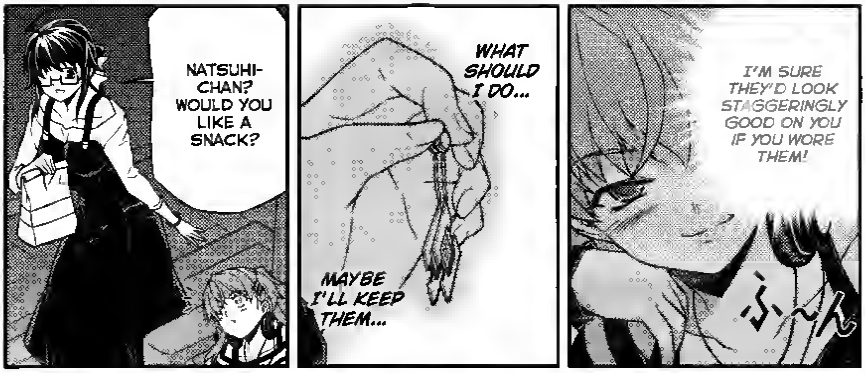
Well, if you recommend it that much, I'll try to think about it again~
It's hot so I'll go take a shower.

REIJI... THAT ACCESSORY...
YEAH...
NO WAY... NO WAY...!! I DON'T THINK THAT CAN BE...
IT COULDN'T HAVE... HAPPENED TO NATSUHI, TOO!!


NATSUHI-CHAN? WOULD YOU LIKE A SNACK?
WHAT SHOULD I DO...
MAYBE I'LL KEEP THEM...
I'M SURE THEY'D LOOK STAGGERINGLY GOOD ON YOU IF YOU WORE THEM!
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THOSE EARRINGS... YOU SAID YOU PICKED THEM UP?
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I WOULDN'T REALLY WANT... SOMETHING SOMEONE ELSE WAS WEARING...
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YUP. THEY'RE NOT IN BAD SHAPE... BUT I DON'T KNOW WHO WAS WEARING THEM, SO YEAH...
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TRUE...
IF IT WAS ME I THINK I'D THROW THEM OUT.
THAT, OR HAND THEM OVER TO THE POLICE OFFICE.
THAT'S HOW IT IS.
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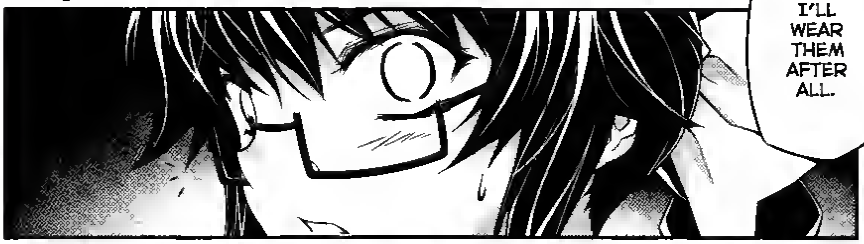
I'LL WEAR THEM AFTER ALL.

REIJI DID SAY THEY'D SUIT ME~
YOU SAW IT TOO, RIGHT NEE-SAN? THAT EAGER FACE OF HIS...

YOU, WHO URGED HIM TO KICK ME OUT...?
OH, THAT'S RIGHT! I RECENTLY FOUND A BOOK I'D LIKE TO RECOMMEND TO YOU.

Huh? What's wrong? Could it be you don't like how Reiji complemented another girl?
OH COME ON- YOU'RE ALSO PRETTY MUCH A YOUNGER SISTER. HOW COULD THAT BE?

...

IT'S A MANGA NAMED "ZERO - THE BEGINNING-"*... THERE'S A GIRL WHO'S IN LOVE WITH AND CLINGS TO HER YOUNGER BROTHER.
BUT THE YOUNGER BROTHER CHOOSES ANOTHER WOMAN...

T/N. This is a manhwa by Im Pal-Young and Park Sung-Woo also called Zero - The Gate of Beginning, or more commonly, Zero

ULTIMATELY, THE SISTER COULDN'T ABANDON HER ATTACHMENT TO HER BROTHER AND BRINGS FORTH A CALAMITY...
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THAT'S THE KIND OF SAD, PAINFUL STORY IT IS.

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I WAS CURIOUS HOW THAT STORY WOULD LOOK FROM YOUR EYES, NEE-SAN...
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FROM THE SAME VIEWPOINT OF AN OLDER SISTER WHO HAS A YOUNGER BROTHER...

I DON'T REALLY KNOW, SINCE I DON'T READ MUCH MANGA.
!
I THINK THIS BOOK HAS A BETTER STORY THAN THAT MANGA. "ANNE OF GREEN GABLES."
YOU KNOW IT, RIGHT? IT'S A WORLD-FAMOUS NOVEL, AFTER ALL.
...!
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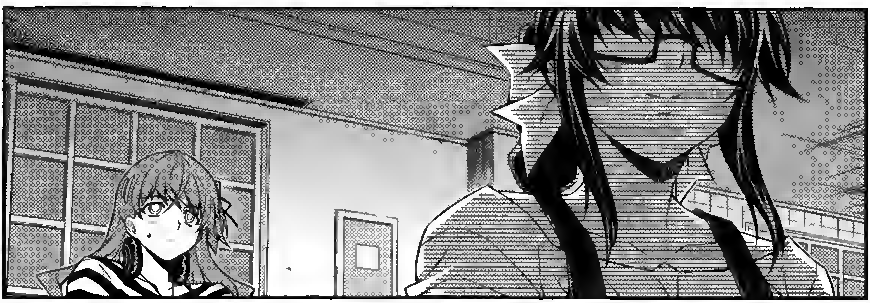
HOW CAN YOU READ THAT NOVEL AND SEE IT LIKE THAT?
AND DO YOU THINK THAT'S NORMAL?
IN THAT STORY, DIDN'T THE SIBLINGS, MATTHEW AND MARILLA, SPEND THEIR LIVES LIVING TOGETHER AND SUPPORTING EACH OTHER?
I THINK THAT'S BEAUTIFUL... THAT KIND OF SIBLING RELATIONSHIP...
WHY? THERE'S NOTHING STRANGE ABOUT IT, IS THERE?
THEY'RE JUST LIVING TOGETHER BECAUSE THEY'RE SIBLINGS...

WELL THEN, HOW ABOUT WE GO TO BED?
Y... YEAH...
I HOPE YOU CAN FIND A GOOD PLACE TOMORROW.



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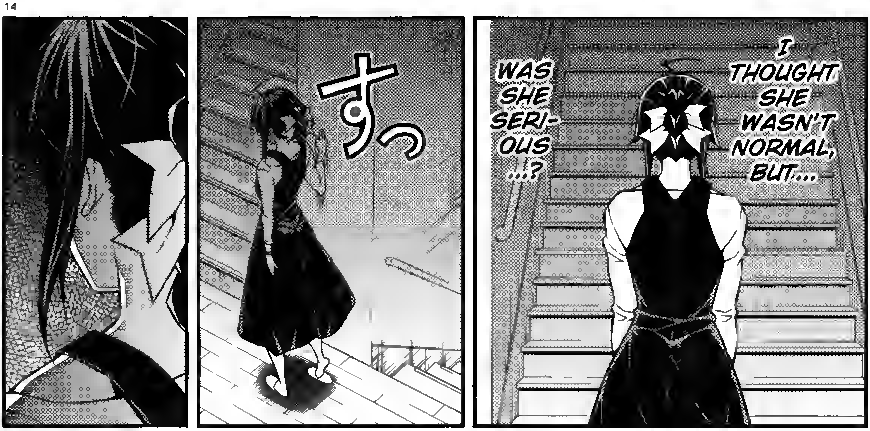
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I THOUGHT SHE WASN'T NORMAL, BUT....
WAS SHE SERIOUS...?

THAT WOMAN
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TANAKA, DON'T ACT LIKE YOU'RE SO ABOVE US SO MUCH.
!

IT'S A COINCIDENCE! IT'S GOTTA BE! LIKE SOMETHING LIKE THAT COULD BE HAPPENING AROUND ME SO OFTEN...!
COULD IT BE, THAT EVEN NATSU-HI'...? NO...!

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I'M JUST ASKING IF WE COULD EAT LUNCH TOGETHER, YOU KNOW?
IT'S FREE FOOD, SO THERE'S NO REASON TO BE INDECISIVE, IS THERE?
EVEN I'D GET A BIT UPSET, BEING IGNORED THIS MUCH.
HEY YOU... YOU'RE NOT IN THIS CLASS, ARE YOU?
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WHY DON'T YOU RETURN SOON?
FIFTH PERIOD'S ABOUT TO START.

IS IT ALSO YOUR JOB TO GET IN THE WAY OF A PERSON'S ROMANCE?
IS IT THAT HIGH AND MIGHTY OF A POSITION? HUH?

WOW, STUDENT COUNCIL?
BUT, LOOK...

HMM...? WHO'S THIS...?
TA-TACHIBANA-KUN...!

DON'T BOTHER GIRLS SO MUCH.
GO.

I'M SORRY I COULDN'T FULFILL YOUR EXPECTATIONS, BUT IT'S NOT MY STYLE TO BULLY GIRLS.
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BOTHER, YOU SAY...
ARE YOU SAYING THAT'S THE KIND OF GUY I LOOK LIKE...?

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BUT I DO LIKE TO HURT GUYS!!
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GUYS LIKE THESE ...
Hey, what's wrong?
COMPARED TO FIGHTING AGAINST ANGELS...

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LEAVE, PLEASE…
IT'S…
HARD FOR ME, TOO…
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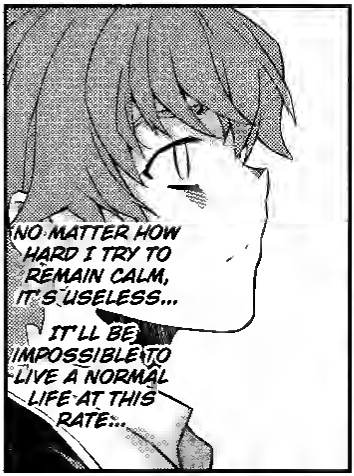
JUST YOU WATCH...!

I WON'T LET YOU GO LIKE THIS! DEFINITELY NOT...!

HEY! HAGIWARA! WHAT'S WRONG? YOU'RE NOT ACTUALLY SCARED ARE YOU?

SHUT UP!

Re:BIRTH


NO MATTER HOW HARD I TRY TO REMAIN CALM, IT'S USELESS...
IT'LL BE IMPOSSIBLE TO LIVE A NORMAL LIFE AT THIS RATE...

ARE YOU INTERESTED IN WOMEN'S UNDERWEAR?
CAN YOU REALLY...
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CALL THIS LIVING ...!?
TANAKA...?
YOU WERE LOOKING AT THAT FOR A WHILE... COULD IT BE A PRESENT FOR SOMEONE?
N- NO... THAT'S NOT IT...
I DIDN'T NOTICE AT ALL... THAT I WAS STANDING IN A PLACE LIKE THIS..

THANK YOU... FOR WHEN WE WERE IN THE CLASSROOM.
IT'S OKAY... IT'S MY NATURAL DUTY AS A PART OF THE STUDENT COUNCIL...
YOU'RE BRAVE, TACHIBANA-KUN. WELL, IT'S HOW YOU ALWAYS ARE...
ME...?
BRAVE...?
THAT'S NOT IT AT ALL...
I'M A COWARD. A REALLY BIG ONE.
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IF IT'S A COWARD LIKE TACHIBANA-KUN... I THINK THAT'S GOOD.

HOW ABOUT... WE TRY GOING OUT, TACHIBANA-KUN?
I'D BE HAPPY IF YOU WERE MY BOYFRIEND...
WHY... WHY IS IT...
HAHA... A CONFESSION... A CONFESSION, HUH...
WHA...
ARE YOU...
CONFESSING... TO ME RIGHT NOW...?
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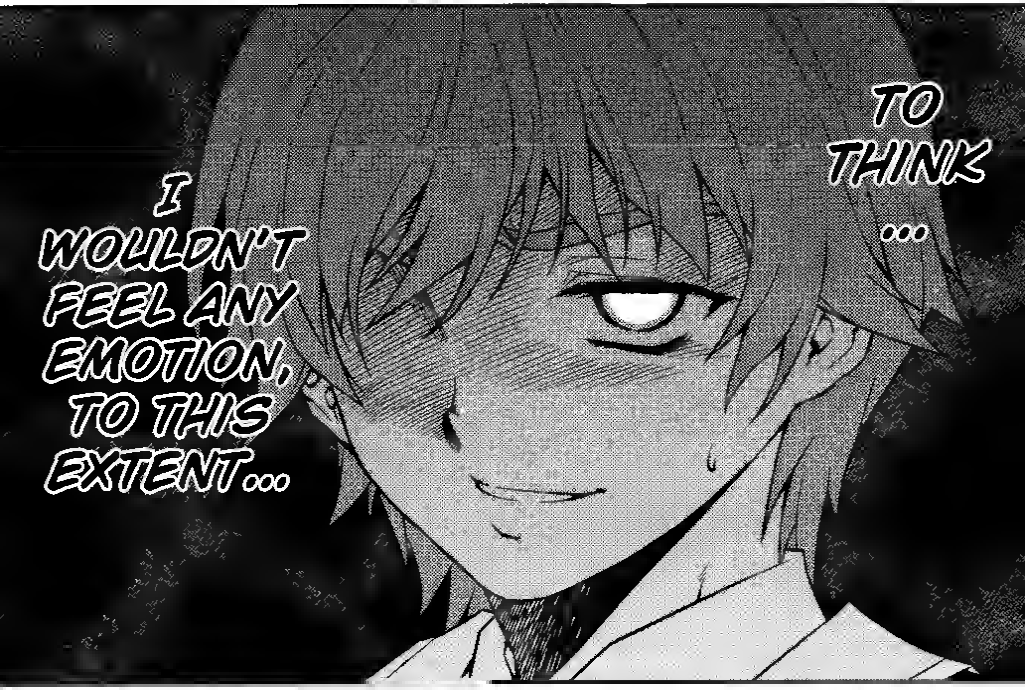
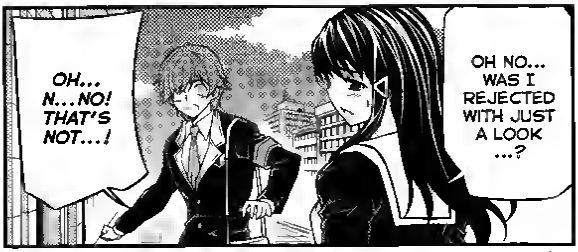
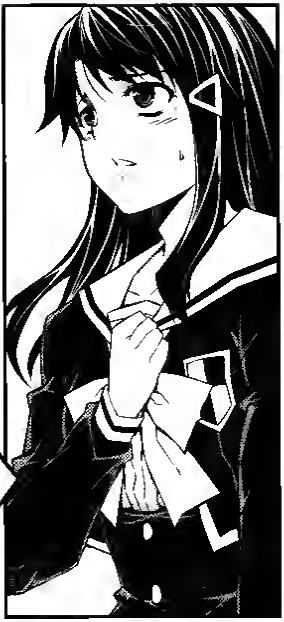

TO THINK ...
I WOULDN'T FEEL ANY EMOTION, TO THIS EXTENT...


OH... N...NO! THAT'S NOT...!
OH NO... WAS I REJECTED WITH JUST A LOOK ...?



OH~!? ISN'T THAT REIJI!?
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COULD IT POSSIBLY BE A DATE!? IS IT A DATE!?
No Not sure
WHOA!? WHO'S THAT GIRL YOU'RE WITH!?
WOW~ YOU'RE PRETTY GOOD, REIJI.
TA-TACHI-BANA-KUN? WHO'S THIS...?
SHE'S QUITE BEAUTIFUL, ISN'T SHE!?
WH-WHAT'RE YOU JOKING ABOUT?
I've been faithful to you since we were young and you betray me...! You're horrible!!
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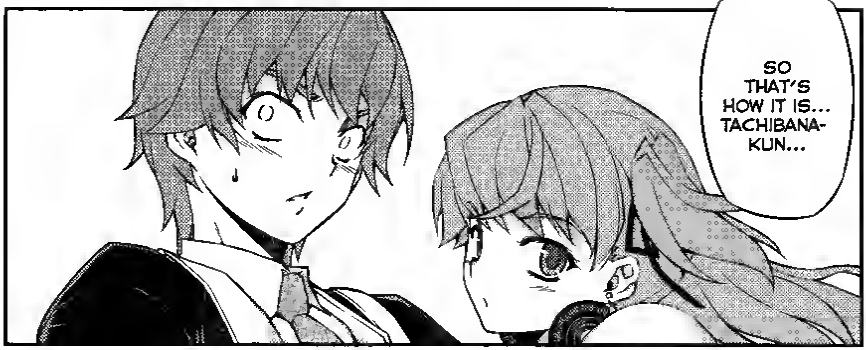
SO THAT'S HOW IT IS... TACHIBANA-KUN...

HUUH!? NO, YOU DON'T UNDER-STAND...!
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ん...?
You could have just told me honestly... how you had such a beautiful girlfriend...

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I'M SORRY FOR CAUSING SO MUCH TROUBLE!!
TANAKA! WAIT!!
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DID IT... GO TOO FAR? MY JOKE...
You... really are "dyna-mite."

Whaa? What a waste! That girl just now was really high level, wasn't she!?
IT'S OKAY. I WAS GOING TO REJECT HER ANY-WAYS...
I'M REALLY SORRY~ I DIDN'T KNOW YOU WERE BEING CONFESSED TO~
I'LL EVEN GO AND TELL HER THE TRUTH NOW!
Ok?
Ok?
ARE YOU INTER-ESTED IN ME, PERHAPS?
IS THAT WHAT YOU WANT ME TO BE?
BUT I'M IN NO SHAPE TO BE IMMERSED IN SOME-THING LIKE LOVE.
I FEEL BAD FOR TANAKA...
THEY SUIT YOU.
KEEP THEM IN.
I'M GLAD...
I PIERCED MY EARS. THEY SAID I SHOULDN'T TAKE THEM OUT FOR A WHILE.
OH, THESE?
YOU PUT THE EARRINGS ON...

I'VE BEEN WATCHING FOR A BIT, BUT TANAKA, AND THIS GIRL...
YOU WERE QUITE A PLAYBOY, EH...?
!!
YOU'RE... FROM BEFORE...?

DID YOU FOLLOW ME? I TURN DOWN MALE STALKERS.
DON'T YOU GO MOUTHING OFF TO ME!! YOU PIECE OF SHIT.
I DOUBT WE BUMPED INTO EACH OTHER IN A PLACE LIKE THIS BY COINCIDENCE...
WE'RE IN THE MIDDLE OF TOWN. IF YOU HAVE SOMETHING TO TALK ABOUT, I'LL HEAR YOU OUT AT SCHOOL TOMORROW.
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LET GO OF HER!!
!?
ARE YOU DOING WELL YOURSELF WHILE COCK-BLOCKING OTHERS?
IT'S MY TURN NOW. IF YOU'RE GOING HOME, DO IT ALONE.
HEY, REIJI... ARE THESE YOUR FRIENDS ...?
NO...
THEN CAN I FLING THIS AWAY?
YOU'RE CHEEKY, AS WELL!! EACH AND EVERY ONE OF YOU ...!!!

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Y- YOU LITTLE...
IF YOU KEEP MESSING AROUND ...!

WHAT ...!?
AH...
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I'LL KILL YOU !!
Y... YOU ...!?
YOU BIIIIII TCH !!!!

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HE... HEY! HAGI-WARA!!
A- ARE YOU OKAY!!? GET A HOLD OF YOUR-SELF!!!

EXTRA-CURRICU-LAR...
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THEN, NOT LIKE TRACK, BUT... THAT WAS...!
I was in an extra-curricular association in America...
Oh, didn't I mention it?
NA-NATSUHI... WHAT... IN THE WORLD!?

YOU KNOW THAT THIS WAS SELF-DEFENSE, RIGHT?
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SO I'D LIKE YOU TO GO HOME WITHOUT BEARING A GRUDGE AGAINST ME.
BOXING!?
YOU'D BETTER QUIT MAKING FUN OF US, BASTARDS!!
CRUSH THEM!!

UH OH... THERE'S A BIT TOO MANY.
SHE DOESN'T HAVE ANYTHING TO DO WITH THIS, RIGHT? I'M YOUR OPPONENT!!
NATSUHI!! GET BEHIND ME!!
I'M TELLING YOU TO STOP!
DON'T MESS AROUND. WE'LL KILL BOTH OF YOU!!
HUH... OKAY...

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IN BROAD DAYLIGHT... SERIOUSLY, KIDS THESE DAYS...
OH NO... A FIGHT?

REIJI!!
DIDJA THINK YOU COULD TAKE THE FOUR OF US BY YOURSELF!!? DIPSHIT!!
I'LL SERI-OUSLY ...!!
THESE GUYS...
OOPS...
THIS IS IT FOR YOU!!

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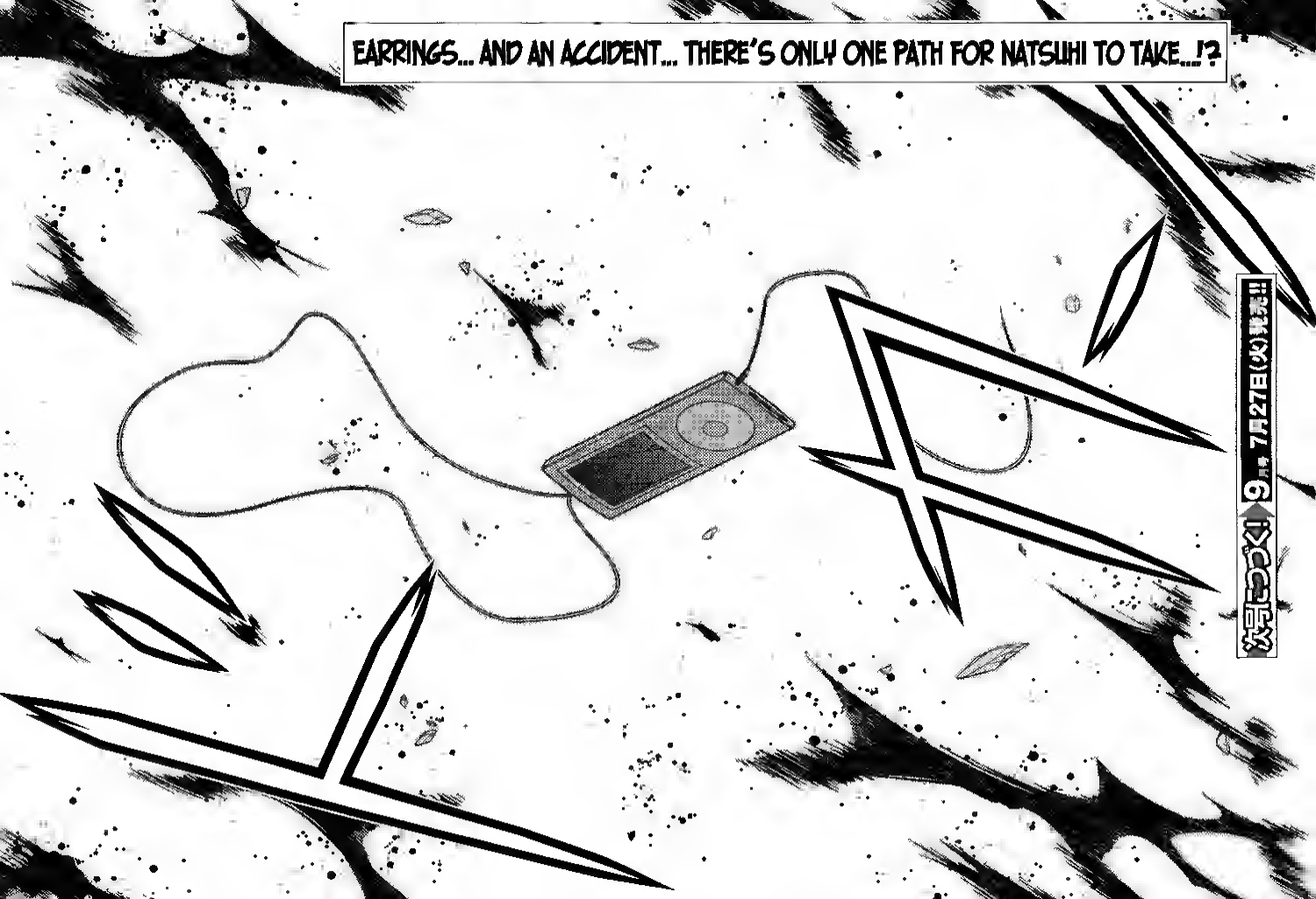
EARRINGS... AND AN ACCIDENT... THERE'S ONLY ONE PATH FOR NATSUHI TO TAKE...!?
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HANG ON! NATSUHI!
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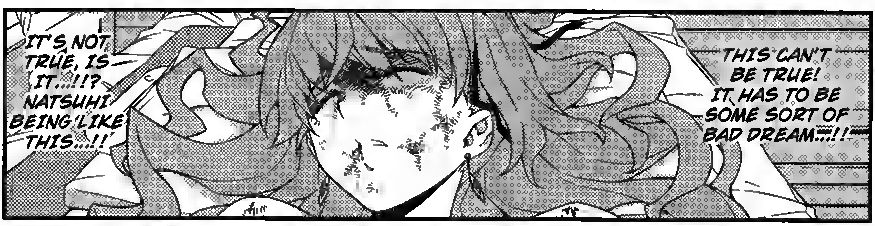
OPEN YOUR EYES! NATSUHI!!!


IT'S NOT TRUE, IS IT...!!? NATSUHI BEING LIKE THIS...!!!
THIS CAN'T BE TRUE! IT HAS TO BE SOME SORT OF BAD DREAM...!!!

REI... JI...
NATSU-HI!!!
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CHAPTER 15: COLLISION
GROWWWWL
Re:BIRTH
The Lunatic Taker

REIJI!?
WHAT IN THE WORLD HAPPENED? HOW'S NATSUHI-CHAN!?
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WE DON'T KNOW YET ... SHE'S GETTING AN EXAMINATION NOW. .
EXAMINATION...? THEY SAID SHE GOT HIT BY A CAR . WHAT ABOUT SURGERY...!?
YEAH... A LARGE TRUCK HIT HER STRAIGHT ON...
BUT SHE WAS FINE... AND SHE DIDN'T EVEN SEEM TO HAVE ANY MAJOR INJURIES...
SHE WAS EITHER SAVED MIRACULOUSLY.....

IF...
IT'S THE LATTER...
OR...
SHE DIED ONCE AND CAME BACK TO LIFE.....
04
THAT MUST HAVE BEEN A HECK OF A NUISANCE~ EVEN I COMPLETELY THOUGHT I WAS DEAD~
EVEN I'M SURPRISED! MAYBE IT'S ONE OF THOSE MIRACLES THAT I'M OKAY TO THIS EXTENT?
Oh man~
Sorry, sorry! I had you guys worried~

WELL, AFTERWARDS I'M GOING TO MEET WITH AND TALK TO THE OTHER SIDE'S INSURANCE COMPANY.
MAYBE IT'S BECAUSE OF MY GOOD DEEDS- GOD KNOWS WHAT HE'S DOING.
NATSUHI... ARE YOU REALLY OKAY?
YEAH, THEY SAID IT WAS JUST SOME LIGHT BRUISES.
WH-WHAT IS IT!? THIS IS THE GIRL'S BATHROOM!
WHY'S REIJI IN HERE TOO!? HEY!

SHOW ME YOUR CHEST FOR A BIT.
WHA...!?
CAN YOU SAVE THOSE KINDS OF THINGS FOR WHEN WE'RE ALONE...?
WAIT... WHAT IS THIS, REALLY? AND EVEN AYAKA-NEE-SAN...?
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WHAT'RE YOU DOING!?
I CAN'T BELIEVE THIS! AYAKA-NEE-SAN!?

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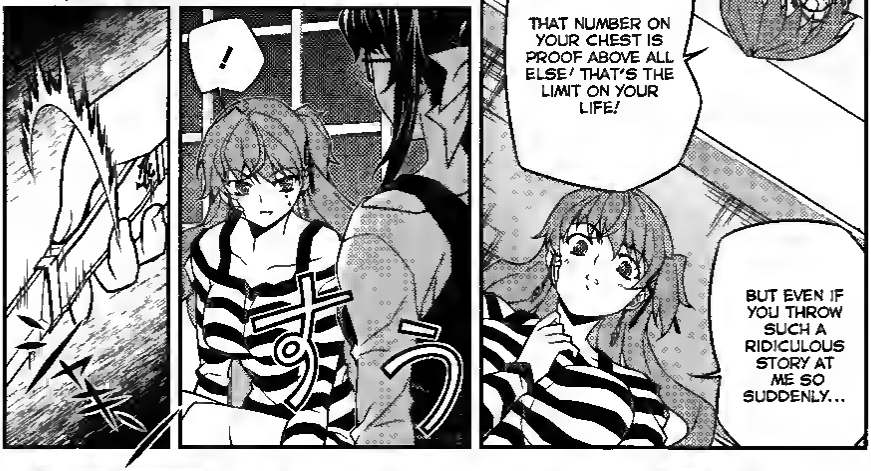
WHAT KIND OF JOKE... IS THIS... WHY IS THIS HAPPENING...?
THESE CLOTHES WERE BORROWED FROM HERE, BUT YOU RIPPED THEM! HOW COULD YOU!!?
HA...HA...
SHE HAS... LIFE POINTS ...!!
UM... YOU TWO...?
.....
IS SOMETHING THE MATTER...?

WOW... WHAT AN INTERESTING STORY, EH?
SO THEN... THIS WRITING ON MY CHEST IS THE SIGN OF A TAKER... AND I WAS DEAD, AND I'VE ALREADY BEEN REVIVED~?
YOU'RE TELLING ME TO BELIEVE THAT NOW!?
THAT'S JUST LIKE A LIGHT NOVEL~ ISN'T IT?
BELIEVE US, NATSUHI!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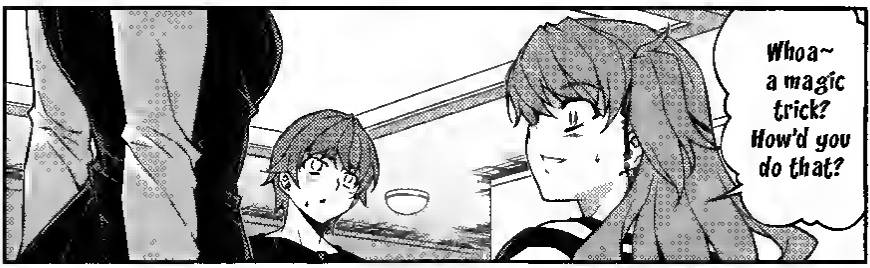
THAT NUMBER ON YOUR CHEST IS PROOF ABOVE ALL ELSE! THAT'S THE LIMIT ON YOUR LIFE!
BUT EVEN IF YOU THROW SUCH A RIDICULOUS STORY AT ME SO SUDDENLY...


Whoa~ a magic trick? How'd you do that?

EEK!!!

WAAAAH!! YOU CUT THE FACE!? THE FACE!! MY FACE!!
NEE-SAN!?
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IT'S OKAY. IT SHOULD RECOVER RIGHT AWAY.

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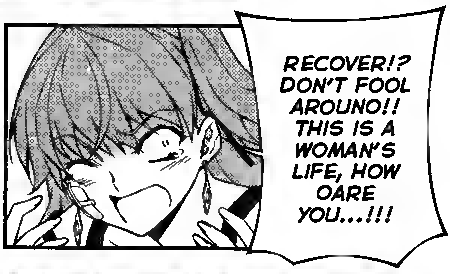
YOU STILL CAN'T BELIEVE IT?


RECOVER!? DON'T FOOL AROUNO!! THIS IS A WOMAN'S LIFE, HOW OARE YOU...!!!

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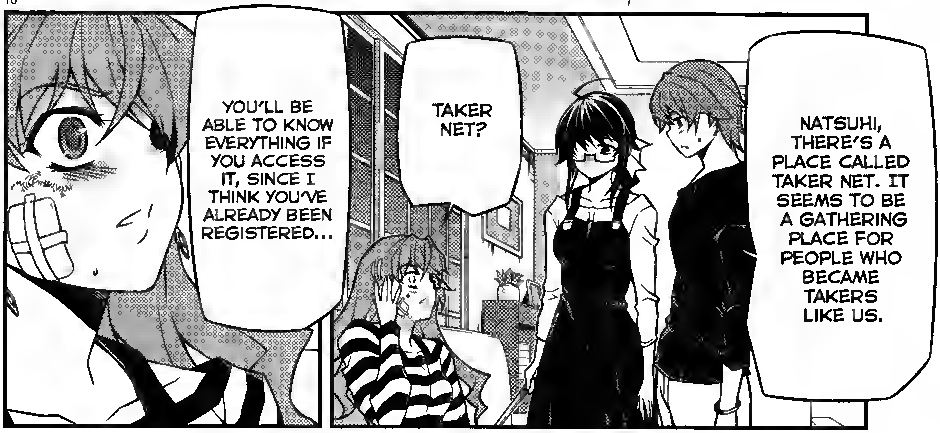
YOU'LL BE ABLE TO KNOW EVERYTHING IF YOU ACCESS IT, SINCE I THINK YOU'VE ALREADY BEEN REGISTERED...
TAKER NET?
NATSUHI, THERE'S A PLACE CALLED TAKER NET. IT SEEMS TO BE A GATHERING PLACE FOR PEOPLE WHO BECAME TAKERS LIKE US.

DID YOU JUST... SAY... "LIKE US"?
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THEN, REIJI... YOU AND...
AYAKA-NEE-SAN, TOO...?

TAKERNET
WELCOME TO TAKER NET.
PLEASE ENTER YOUR NAME
AND DATE OF BIRTH.
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DATE OF BIRTH
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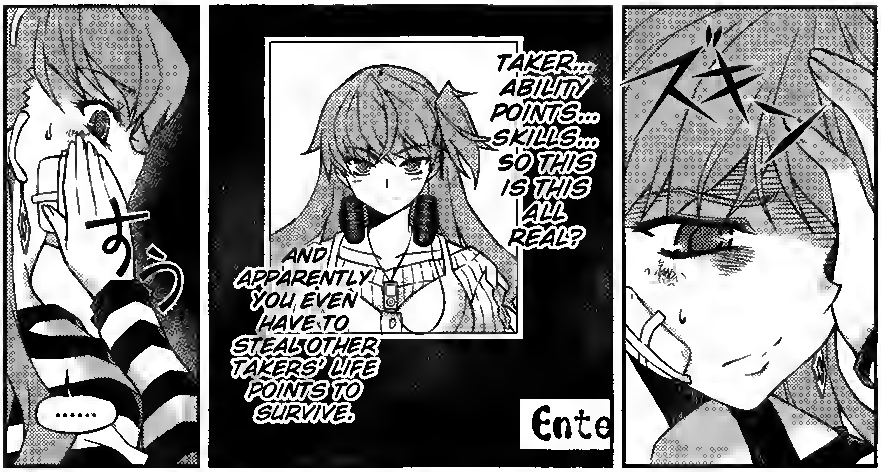
RE: YOU MUST BE JOKING! HOW ARE WE SUPPOSED TO TRUST SOMEONE WE'VE NEVER EVEN SEEN?
IT FEELS A LOT BETTER TO KILL WEAKLINGS THAN THOSE DANGEROUS ANGELS.
IT HASN'T EVEN BEEN TOO EXCITING AFTER I KILLED ABOUT 10 PEOPLE.
I'M STARTING TO FEEL LIKE I WANT TO FIGHT TO THE DEATH WITH STRONGER GUYS THESE DAYS. DOES THAT MEAN IT'S GETTING MONOTONOUS?
YOUR INJURIES GET HEALED RIGHT AWAY IF YOU LEAVE THEM ALONE, YOU KNOW? ISN'T IT AWESOME!?
IT'S SAFEST TO FINISH IT BY TAKING THEIR HEADS OUT, RIGHT?
LOOKING FOR PEOPLE TO NEWBIE HUNT WITH!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TAKER... ABILITY POINTS... SKILLS... SO THIS IS THIS ALL REAL?
AND APPARENTLY YOU EVEN HAVE TO STEAL OTHER TAKERS' LIFE POINTS TO SURVIVE.
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I'M AT A LOSS... SERIOUSLY...
HA HA HA...

TO THINK THAT EVEN NATSUHI WOULD BECOME A TAKER...
HOW THE HECK DID THINGS GET SO MESSED UP?
WHAT'LL WE DO... WHAT ARE WE SUPPOSED TO DO FROM NOW ON...
WE HAVE TO MAKE A DECISION.
A DECISION...? ABOUT WHAT...?

WILL WE ABANDON NATSUHI-CHAN LIKE THIS...
OR PERHAPS ...

NEE-SAN... DON'T TELL ME...
ABANDON HER LIKE THIS...?
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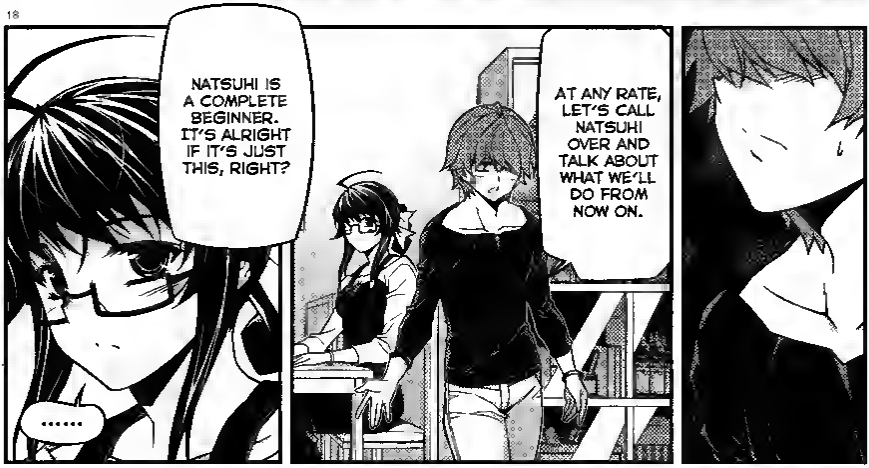
IT'S COMPLETELY POSSIBLE! SHE COULD START GOING CRAZY AT ANY MOMENT WHEN HER LIFE POINTS GET TO THE BRINK!!
IS THIS ABOUT HOW TAKERS POSE A THREAT TO EACH OTHER AGAIN!?
ARE YOU SAYING NATSUHI WOULD TRY SOMETHING AGAINST US!?
DID YOU FORGET ABOUT WHAT HAPPENED WITH MISAKI!?

WH...
WHY...
WHY ARE YOU SAYING SOMETHING LIKE THAT...
I'M A TAKER TOO, RIGHT!?
THEN! WHY DON'T YOU JUST ERASE ME AS WELL!?
YOU DON'T KNOW WHEN I'LL GO FOR YOUR THROAT WHEN YOU'RE SLEEPING, NEE-SAN!!!

I'M SORRY, NEE-SAN... I WENT A LITTLE OVERBOARD THERE... I JUST WANTED TO SAY THAT NATSUHI'S ALSO IN THE SAME POSITION AS US...
.....
NATSUHI AND I ARE IN THE SAME POSITION...?
O-OF COURSE. SHE'S DIFFERENT FROM YOU, NEE-SAN. YOU ARE FAMILY... BUT SHE'S ALSO...
IT'S DEFINITELY NOT THE SAME! IT IS COMPLETELY DIFFERENT!!
17
WE'RE SHARING LIFE POINTS SO WE'LL NEVER BE A THREAT TO EACH OTHER!!
BUT NATSUHI'S DIFFERENT!! DEPENDING ON THE SITUATION! WE COULD BECOME THE PERFECT PREY FOR HER!!

I AM THE ONLY TAKER IN THE ENTIRE WORLD...
THAT YOU CAN BELIEVE IN!!


NATSUHI IS A COMPLETE BEGINNER. IT'S ALRIGHT IF IT'S JUST THIS, RIGHT?
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AT ANY RATE, LET'S CALL NATSUHI OVER AND TALK ABOUT WHAT WE'LL DO FROM NOW ON.

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NATSUHI, CAN WE COME IN FOR A BIT?
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I DIED ONCE, AND GAINED A BODY THAT CAN RECOVER AS LONG AS IT'S NOT A FATAL WOUND THAT WILL KILL ME RIGHT AWAY...
THAT'S WHAT A TAKER IS...
IS THIS ABOUT FOUR STORIES HIGH...? IF IT'S FROM THIS HEIGHT...
EVEN WITH A NORMAL BODY, AS LONG AS YOU LAND RIGHT YOU SHOULDN'T DIE...

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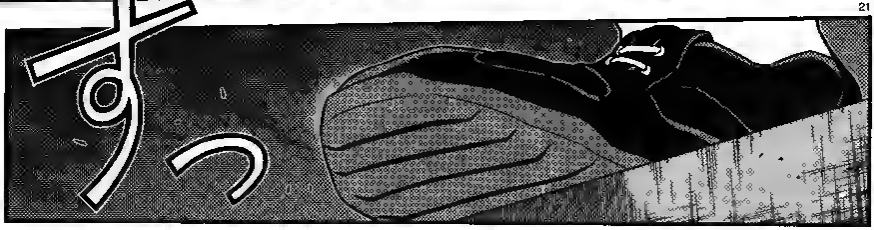
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I'M GETTING EXCITED FOR SOME REASON...!!
THERE'S NO STRAIN ON MY JOINTS...IT SEEMS IT'S TRUE THAT TAKERS HAVE HEIGHTENED PHYSICAL ABILITIES AS WELL AS HEALING...!
I LANDED... AND VERY NATURALLY, EVEN...!
THAT SHOULD HAVE BEEN 15 METERS...!!

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AND THIS IS...!!
MY... SORCERY DEVICE...!!

URRRR GGH!!
HEY, OLD MAN!
HM!?
.....!?
IF YOU WANT TO SHOW OFF SO MUCH, WHY DON'T YOU JUST MAKE HER YOUR WIFE!!
THAT LITTLE SHIT!! WHAT DO YOU MEAN, MANAGER!! YOU'RE JUST A GOD DAMN KID COMPARED TO ME!!

FOR EVERYONE'S SAKE, THINK OF THE PEOPLE WHO HAVE TO CLEAN THAT UP.
YOU'RE CAUSING US TROUBLE DIRTYING THE STREET LIKE THAT

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GAH!!
HURRY UP AND FORK OVER WHAT YOU'VE GOT!!
DON'T MAKE US DO TOO MUCH MANUAL LABOR!
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Y...!!
YOU PUNKS...!!
I'LL HAVE YOU GUYS ARRESTED!!
I'LL DEFINITELY GET YOU THROWN IN THE SLAMMER!!
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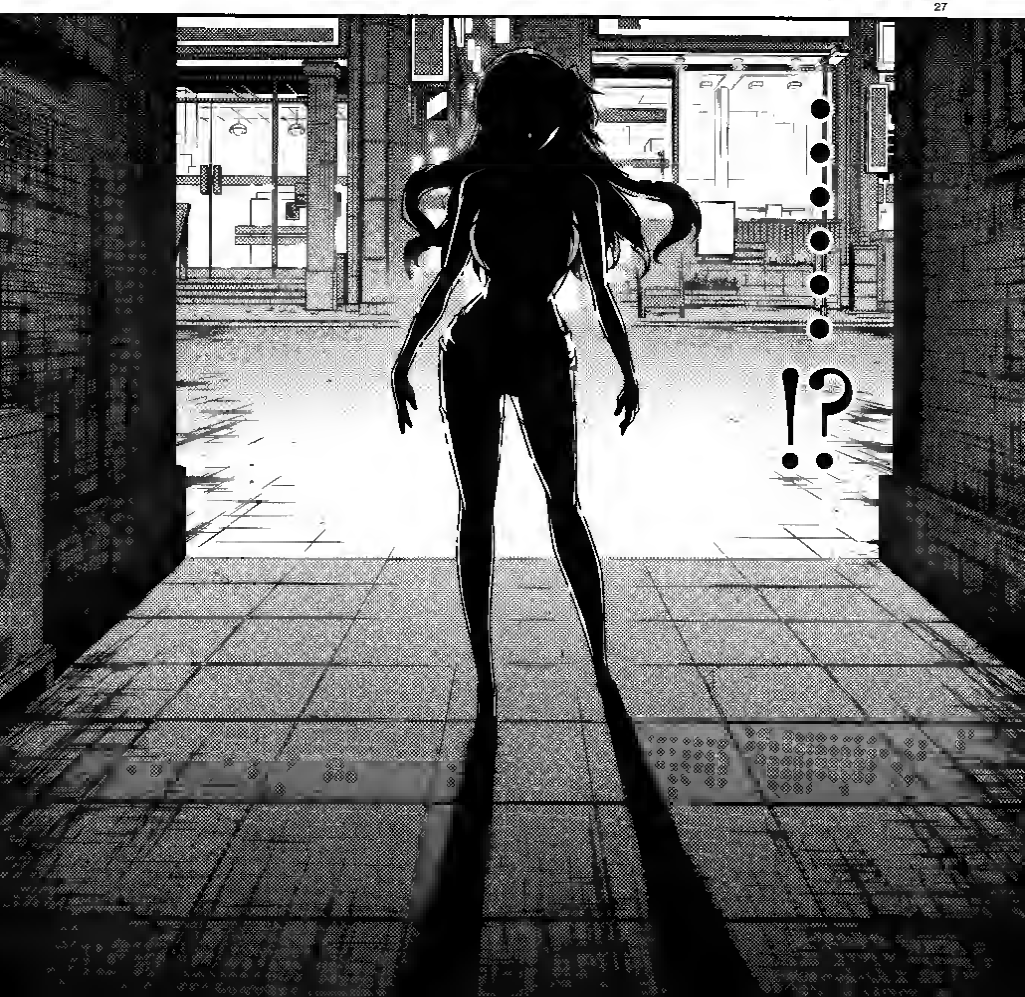
THEN WE HAVE TO MAKE IT SO YOU WON'T TATTLE ON US!!!
JUST DIE! YOU PIECE OF TRASH!!

THE HECK ARE YOU...?
.....!?
WHOA... IS IT OKAY FOR YOU TO MURDER SO EASILY?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I'M SORRY I CAN'T COMPLY WITH YOUR REQUEST...
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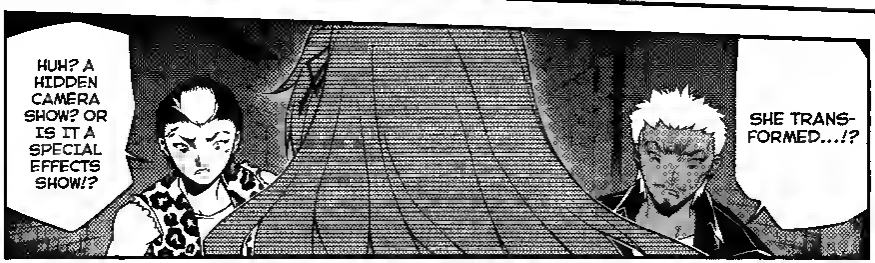
IT'D HELP ME OUT IF YOU BOTHERED ME TOO, YOU KNOW~?
WHADDYA WANT? JUST RUN ALONG NOW, GIRLIE.
WHAT? JUST A GIRL?
YES, TRYING OUT.
WHAT'RE YOU SAYING YOU WANT TO TRY OUT AGAINST US?
I JUST NEED TO TRY SOMETHING OUT A BIT. WON'T YOU HELP ME OUT?
WHAT, ARE YOU JOKING?

WHOA!! WHAT IS IT!? THIS LIGHT!!
WHAT'S SHE USING!? THIS BITCH!

"SORCERY DEVICE ORPHEUS"
WEAPON MODE


HUH? A HIDDEN CAMERA SHOW? OR IS IT A SPECIAL EFFECTS SHOW!?
SHE TRANSFORMED...!?

.....!?
NOW, COME BOTHER ME. YOU'RE THUGS, RIGHT, BOYS?

THE FIRST CUSTOMERS FOR THE POWER OF JUSTICE TRY-OUT PERIOD...
YOU PEOPLE ARE REALLY LUCKY.
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HIEEE

AMAZING~!! WHAT WONDERFUL POWER!
AND WHAT IS THIS!? MY BODY'S SO LIGHT!
IS THIS WHAT A TAKER IS!? THE POWER OF A TAKER!!
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AND IT HEALS MOSTLY ANY INJURY TO BOOT!!
AS LONG AS I CAN OBTAIN LIFE POINTS, AREN'T I PRETTY MUCH IMMORTAL!?
THIS!! I CAN'T GET ENOUGH OF IT~!

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WELCOME BACK.
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A-AYAKA-NEE-SAN... WERE YOU WAITING THE ENTIRE TIME...? PERHAPS...

WHERE WERE YOU?
OH, I JUST WENT AROUND FOR A BIT... BUT WHERE'S REIJI?

HE'S LOOKING FOR YOU. HE WAS EXTREMELY WORRIED...
YOU MAY NOT KNOW THIS YET, BUT THERE'S A SKILL CALLED LOWER LEVEL SEARCH AND YOU'LL BECOME A TARGET IF YOU RECKLESSLY MOVE ABOUT.
HUH!? REALLY!? IT WASN'T MY INTENTION TO MAKE YOU WORRY...
ANYWAYS! I TRIED IT OUT A BIT BUT IT WAS AMAZING!!
ARE TAKERS ALL LIKE THIS? YOU TOO, NEE-SAN?
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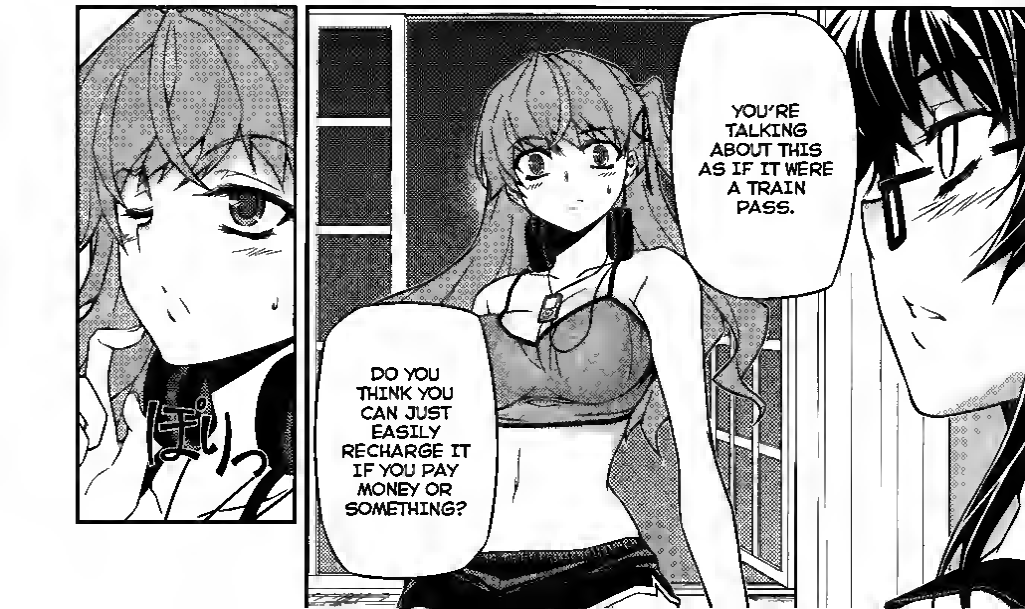
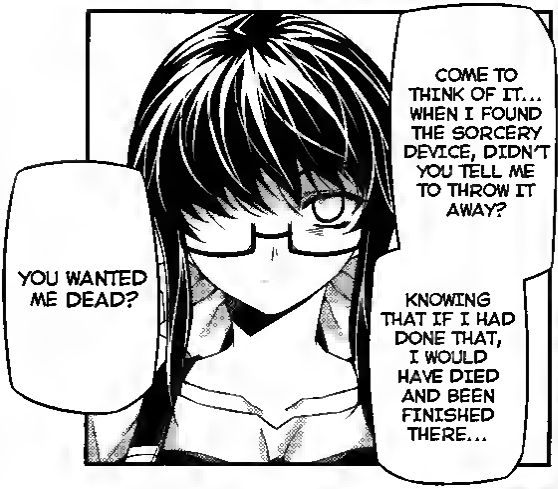
THAT'S RIGHT. BUT WE REQUIRE LIFE POINTS.
YOU CAN JUST GATHER THEM!
GATHER THEM.....

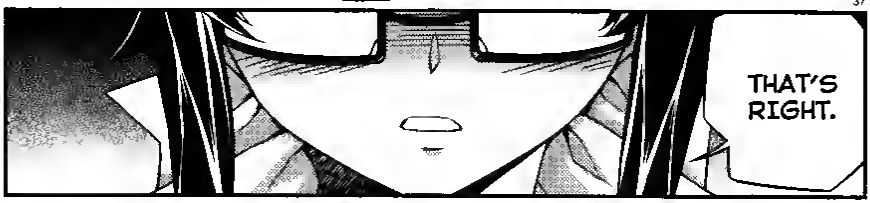

YOU'RE TALKING ABOUT THIS AS IF IT WERE A TRAIN PASS.
DO YOU THINK YOU CAN JUST EASILY RECHARGE IT IF YOU PAY MONEY OR SOMETHING?

I KNOW! I LOOKED IT UP, TOO! YOU CAN DEFEAT OTHER TAKERS AND STEAL THEM
OR GET THEM BY HUNTING THOSE ANGEL THINGS, RIGHT?
THEN THIS IS GREAT! THERE ARE THREE OF US NOW!! AREN'T ANGELS TREMENDOUSLY BACKBREAKING WORK?
.....
NO HARM IN HAVING MORE ALLIES, RIGHT!?
WHO'RE YOU CALLING ALLIES?
HUH?
YOUR HABIT OF GETTING AHEAD OF YOURSELF IS THE SAME AS EVER.
YOU HAVE NO ALLIES HERE.

YOU ARE AN ENEMY.
I'M SORRY, BUT CAN YOU LEAVE RIGHT AWAY?
AND... DON'T EVER SHOW YOURSELF IN FRONT OF US AGAIN.

WHAT? YOU WANT TO CAST ME AWAY, SOMEONE WHO JUST BECAME A TAKER?
WELL SURE I SORT OF NOTICED THAT YOU DIDN'T LIKE ME VERY MUCH...


COME TO THINK OF IT... WHEN I FOUND THE SORCERY DEVICE, DIDN'T YOU TELL ME TO THROW IT AWAY?
KNOWING THAT IF I HAD DONE THAT, I WOULD HAVE DIED AND BEEN FINISHED THERE...
YOU WANTED ME DEAD?


THAT'S RIGHT.

IN ANY CASE, SINCE YOU HAD YOUR SOUL EATEN BY AN ANGEL, IT HAD TO BE EITHER A SCHEDULED DEATH OR BECOMING A TAKER.
IT WOULD'VE BEEN BETTER FOR YOU TO DIE IF IT MEANT YOU BECOMING A TAKER AND TURNING INTO AN ENEMY.
THAT WAS THE BEST PATH... FOR REIJI'S SAKE AS WELL.

HOW AWFUL... YOU DON'T FEEL ANYTHING AT ALL FOR YOUR CHILDHOOD FRIEND...?
DOES REIJI THINK THAT TOO?
I DON'T PLAN ON ASKING FOR REIJI'S OPINION
WHAT'S IMPORTANT IS THAT YOU ARE A DANGER.
SO PLEASE HURRY AND GET OUT.
WON'T IT MAKE YOU FEEL BETTER TO BE HONEST AND TELL THE TRUTH? THAT I'M IN THE WAY.
IN THE WAY?
YOU'RE THINKING THAT YOUR DEAR REIJI'S HEART MIGHT GET STOLEN AWAY, RIGHT!? I WON'T LET YOU SAY IT'S NOT BY THIS POINT!

AND BESIDES, REIJI HAS NO INTEREST IN SOMEONE LIKE YOU.

HOW CHILDISH... I NOW UNDERSTAND THAT THAT IMAGINATION OF YOURS IS THE SOURCE OF YOUR ABILITY AS AN AUTHOR.
THERE'S NO WAY I WOULD HARBOR SUCH FEELINGS TOWARDS MY YOUNGER BROTHER, IS THERE?

I DON'T KNOW ABOUT THAT. YOU DON'T THINK I CAN MAKE HIM FEEL THAT WAY RIGHT AWAY IF I REALLY WANTED TO?

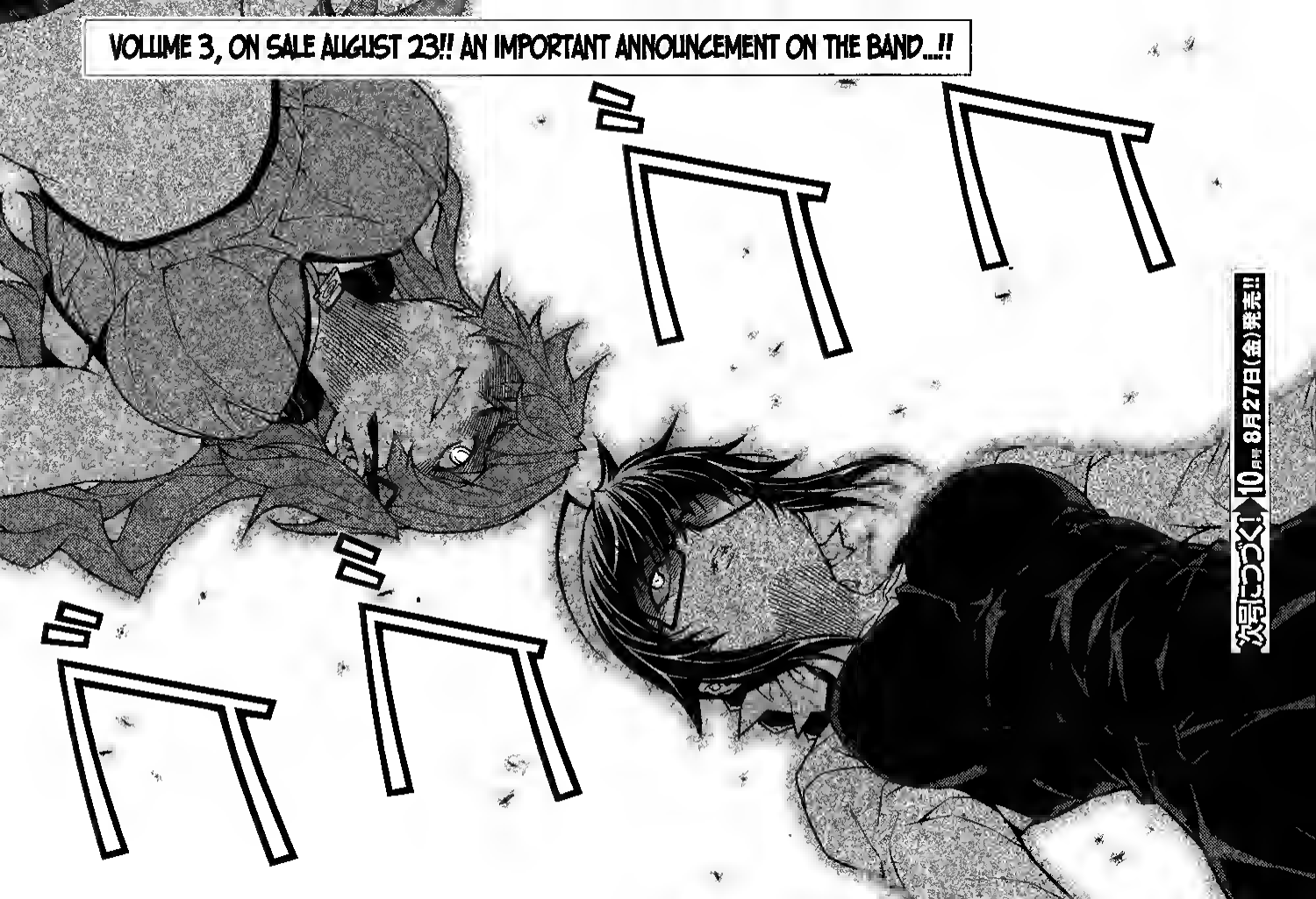
IT'S TRUE THAT IT'S TEN BILLION TIMES MORE REALISTIC TO FEEL AN AWARENESS OF THE OPPOSITE SEX TOWARDS AN ATTRACTIVE CHILDHOOD FRIEND THAN YOUR OWN OLDER SISTER!!
IF YOU WANT, WHY DON'T I GO FOR HIM STARTING FROM NOW!! HOW ABOUT IT?

I WONDER WHY... YOU WON'T UNDERSTAND ME...
EVEN THOUGH NO MATTER HOW YOU LOOK AT IT, NOW THAT YOU'RE A TAKER, IT'S BETTER FOR THE BOTH OF US IF WE DON'T HAVE ANYTHING TO DO WITH EACH OTHER...
OR... ARE YOU REALLY INTERESTED IN REIJI...?
I WASN'T INTENDING ON THAT IN THE BEGIN-NING, BUT-
I'M COMPLETELY PISSED OFF AT YOUR WAYS, NEE-SAN!! I REALLY WANT TO GET BACK AT YOU ONCE!!!
YES! THAT'S RIGHT!! I LIKE REIJI SO MUCH THAT I CAN'T HELP MYSELF!!!

IF THAT'S HOW YOU'RE GOING TO BE NO MATTER WHAT... IT CAN'T BE HELPED...
!
THAT'S ENOUGH WITH YOUR NONSENSE. SO JUST HURRY UP AND GET OUT.
IT'S NOT GONNA GO LIKE THAT! I DEFINITELY WON'T GET OUT UNTIL I HEAR REIJI'S OPINION!!

YOU DIDN'T COME BACK SINCE THEN...
FOREVER...

WASN'T THAT YOUR REAL INTENTION? FROM THE BEGINNING?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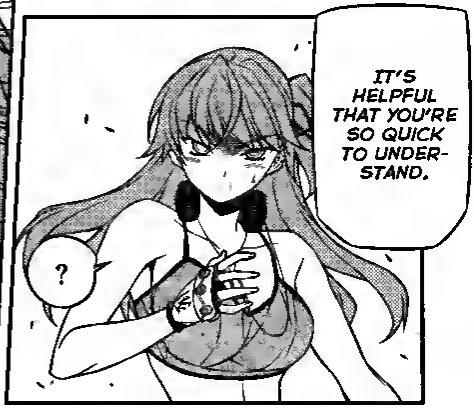
IT'S HELPFUL THAT YOU'RE SO QUICK TO UNDER-STAND.
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WHAT'RE YOU GOING TO DO IF I GET CUT BY THE GIA...!?
THE HIGHLY PRAISED VOLUME 3 ON SALE NOW!!
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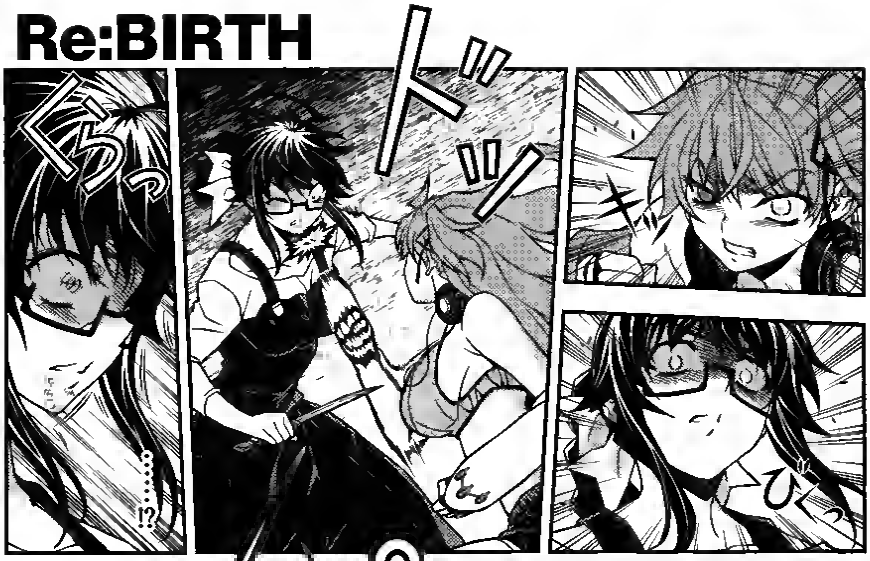
SHE'S MAKING SURE TO AIM FOR MY FACE!?
IS SHE SERIOUSLY TRYING TO KILL ME?
WHOA !?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THAT'S WHAT BOXING IS.
IF YOU AIM PRECISELY, IT WON'T LOSE TO A SINGLE SWORD BEING SWUNG WILLY-NILLY.

IT'S YOUR FIRST TIME EXPERIENCING IT, ISN'T IT? GETTING YOUR BRAIN RATTLED DIRECTLY.
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LET'S JUST COOL OUR HEADS FOR NOW.
WE CAN CALMLY TALK THINGS OUT WHEN REIJI COMES B...
SINCE WHEN DID SHE DO SOME-THING LIKE THAT...?
SHE'S CERTAINLY MOVING LIKE SHE PRACTICED SOMETHING...
BOXING...?
WHOA!?
SHE'S FAST! SHE WAS ABOUT TO CUT THEM OFF IN AN INSTANT!!
H-HEY!? ARE YOU TRYING TO ACT LIKE THIS TO THE VERY END!?

WHAT'S WITH HER...!!
THOSE LEG MOVE-MENTS...!?

THE EDGE OF MY SWORD WON'T REACH AT ALL...!!
!?
LOOK, YOU WERE THE ONE WHO STARTED ATTACKING ME, ALRIGHT...!!?

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AUGH!?
SEE? MY SORCERY DEVICE...!!
SEEMS TO HAVE THIS KIND OF USE, TOO!!

SHE DODGED IT!? AT THIS DISTANCE??

SO? ARE YOU GOING TO KEEP GOING? EVEN THOUGH OUR WEAPONS ARE THE SAME...
THERE SEEMS TO BE A GAP IN THE USERS' POTENTIALS, YOU KNOW? A DECISIVE ONE.
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THAT WAS LIKELY HER SORCERY DEVICE'S BASIC SKILL...
SHE'S JUST BECAME A TAKER... SHE SHOULDN'T HAVE LEARNED ANY SKILLS YET.
TO TEST MINE OUT AS WELL...
IN THAT CASE... IT MEANS IT'S ALREADY A CHANCE FOR ME...
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TL NOTE: CHARACTER MEANING SKY/EMPTY
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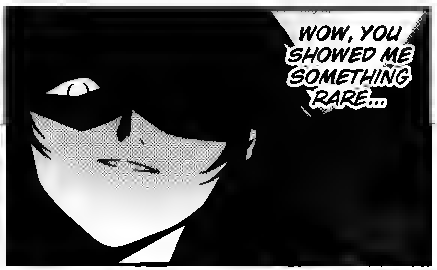
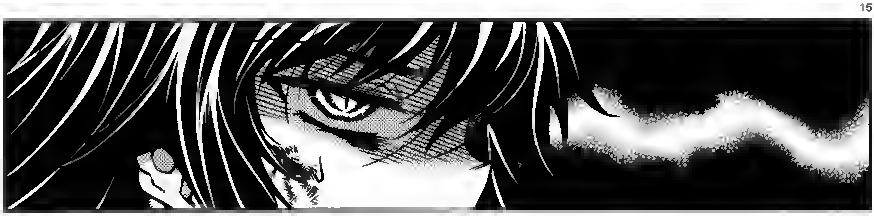
A SYMBOL APPEARED...?
BUT IT DOESN'T REALLY FEEL LIKE ANYTHING'S CHANGED...

WH... WHAT?
THE COLOR OF HER EYES... CHANGED...!?

PHANTOM SKILL... TO THINK I'D ENCOUNTER IT IN A PLACE LIKE THIS...
YOU REALLY CAN'T TELL WHAT COULD HAPPEN...


WOW, YOU SHOWED ME SOMETHING RARE...

WH-WHAT'S THAT? ...IS IT WHAT THEY CALL A SKILL?
WHICH MEANS YOU WANT TO TAKE THIS TO THE END...?



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THAT'S TOO BAD~ YOU EVEN TRIED TO MAKE IT LOOK SO COOL~
I HIT THE NAIL ON THE HEAD, DIDN'T I? WHAT!? SERIOUSLY!?
I GOT IT! I GET IT NOW!! YOU DON'T KNOW HOW TO USE IT!!
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YOU SHOULDN'T HAPHAZARDLY TRY TO ACT COOL~ KYAHAHA!
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HAHA HA…!
AHAHA HAHAHAA!

I CAN DO IT...
...?
I CAN GET RID OF YOU EVEN WITH-OUT USING SKILLS!!!
HM~PH! I WON'T LET IT GO THAT EASILY~!
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WHAT IN THE WORLD... IS THIS SUPPOSED TO BE...
REIJI!?
YOU KEEP YOUR MOUTH SHUT!!
R-REIJI... IT'S NOT MY FAULT, YOU KNOW? AYAKA-NEE-SAN STARTED...
TELL ME, NEE-SAN. WHAT IS THE MEANING OF THIS? WHY DID YOU POINT YOUR SWORD AT NATSUHI?
.....
IT'S GOING TO GO LIKE THIS FOR SURE SOMEDAY...
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STOP IIIIT !!!!
DEALING WITH THIS BEFORE IT'S TOO LATE IS FOR NATSUHI'S SAKE, TOO YOU KNOW?
REIJI...!! YOU SHOULD ALSO FACE REALITY SOON...!!
THEN WHAT'RE YOU SAYING WE SHOULD DO!? LAUGH AND START KILLING EACH OTHER!? WHAT GOOD WILL COME OUT OF US FIGHTING!!?
WHY DON'T YOU TRY TO BELIEVE IN EACH OTHER!!? ARE YOU SAYING IT'S A MISTAKE TO TRUST EACH OTHER!?
CONTINUING TO TRUST SOME-ONE... EVEN IF THEY WERE TO BETRAY YOU!!
IS THAT SUCH A FOOLISH THING!?
TO TRUST SOMEONE ...!!
TO KEEP TRUSTING THEM...!!

EVEN IF IT'S ONLY THAT!!
IT HOLDS A LOT OF MEANING !!!!!

ON TOP OF THE ROOF...!?
COULD IT BE...!!
DON'T YOU THINK THAT'S THE BEST WAY?
THEN YOU SHOULD CREATE A SITUATION IN WHICH YOU CAN'T BETRAY EACH OTHER IN THE FIRST PLACE...
THERE'S NOTHING MORE FOOLISH THAN TRUSTING SOMEONE AND THEN BEING BETRAYED...
THERE'S A LIMIT TO BEING SOFT YOU KNOW? LITTLE BOY...

TAKERS!?

EVEN THOUGH WE HAD KNOWN NATSUHI WOULD EASILY BECOME A TARGET...!!!

WE WERE WAY TOO CARE-LESS...!!

YOU'RE EXTREMELY ON GUARD...
FROM WHAT I CAN TELL, YOU GUYS BECAME TAKERS NOT LONG AGO, RIGHT? BOY AND GIRLS..

YES, AS YOU GUESSED, WE'RE TAKER'S TOO.
WE CAME HERE BECAUSE WE DETECTED LOW LEVELS WITH A SEARCH.
AND YOU ARE...?
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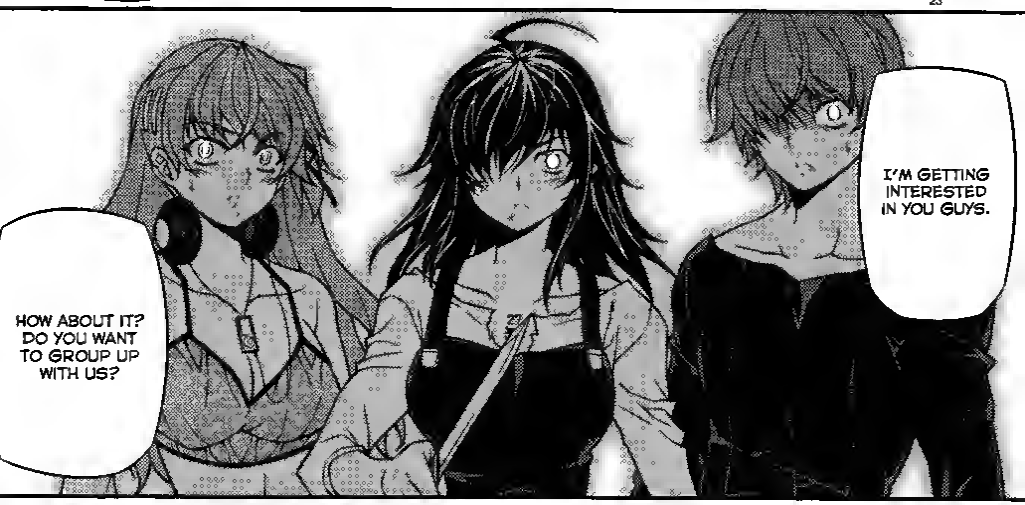
D-DON'T LOOK DOWN ON US BECAUSE OF THE AMOUNT OF LIFE POINTS WE HAVE LEFT!
WE'VE FOUGHT THROUGH MANY BATTLES AND BUILT UP SKILLS UNTIL NOW!!
HEEHEE, YOU WERE OBVIOUSLY BEGINNERS NO MATTER HOW YOU LOOK AT IT, YOU KNOW?
.....
.....
WOW... BUT IN THAT FIGHT JUST NOW, YOU DIDN'T SHOW ME THOSE SKILLS YOU'RE SO PROUD OF...

SO, ARE YOU ULTIMATELY SAYING YOU WANT TO HUNT THOSE BEGINNERS OR SOMETHING?
IF YOU SEE US AS CONVENIENT PREY. . YOU'LL BE DISAPPOINTED.
JUST CALM DOWN.....
WHILE IT'S TRUE THAT, IN THE BEGINNING, THAT'S WHAT WE WERE GOING TO DO


I'M GETTING INTERESTED IN YOU GUYS.
HOW ABOUT IT? DO YOU WANT TO GROUP UP WITH US?

YOU'RE TELLING US TO ACT TOGETHER? WITH YOU GUYS...?
RIGHT. WE CAN EVEN MAKE YOU OUR ALLIES RIGHT AWAY.
YOU THINK WE'LL BELIEVE YOU?
.....

BUT YOU SEE, IF YOU ALWAYS STAY LIKE THAT, IN THE END EVERYONE EXCEPT THE STRONGEST PERSON WILL BE DEAD... BUT IT'S DIFFERENT IN REALITY.
YOU'RE RIGHT, IN THE BEGINNING YOU'RE RESTRICTED BY LIFE POINTS, SO IT CAN TURN INTO A SITUATION WHERE YOU CAN BE BETRAYED AT ANY TIME... THAT REALLY IS THE SCARIEST THING, ISN'T IT?
SHE HAS A POINT
AS PROOF OF THAT... WE'RE ALSO ACTING TOGETHER, AS YOU CAN SEE.
AN EXPERIENCED TAKER WILL FIND A WAY TO OVERCOME THAT SITUATION
WOULDN'T THIS PAIRING NEVER HAVE BEEN FORMED IF WE WERE HUNTING FOR LIFE POINTS?

THIS IS THE REASON FOR ITS FORMATION... IT'S BECAUSE WE'RE PART OF THE "GUILD."
IT'S SET UP SO THAT ONCE YOU JOIN, THERE'S NO MORE REASON TO BETRAY EACH OTHER.

GUILD!?
IF YOU ENTER THIS GUILD, THERE WILL BE A FORCE PREVENTING YOU FROM BEING ABLE TO BETRAY.
ALSO, YOU CAN EVEN SAY THAT YOU WON'T REACH 0 LIFE POINTS AND DIE.
IT'S THE WAY WITH THE HIGHEST PROBABILITY OF SUCCESS AND IS INDISPENSABLE IN ORDER TO SURVIVE AS A TAKER.
THERE ARE EVEN THOSE WHO CREATED AN ORGANIZATION!!
THEY CREATE SITUATIONS WHERE THEY CAN'T EVER BETRAY EACH OTHER!!
OF COURSE IT'S NOT LIKE WE'RE ACCEPTING JUST ANYONE
THIS IS ONLY LIMITED TO THOSE WHO POSSESS TALENT
YOU'RE REALLY LUCKY- YOU LET US WITNESS A GLIMPSE OF YOUR TALENT

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WELL, THAT KIND OF REACTION IS VERY NORMAL, ISN'T IT?
YOU'RE TELLING US TO LISTEN TO THAT NONSENSE SO EASILY?
TALENT ...?
WHAT... EXACTLY FOR?

EVEN THOUGH, LOOKING AT THINGS RATIONALLY... WE COULD JUST KILL YOU GUYS AS OUR PREY...
YOU MAY NOT REALIZE IT, BUT WE'RE REALLY CONSIDERING YOU STRONGLY, YOU KNOW...?
TRY GOING THERE IN THE NEXT INTERSPATIAL TIME. YOU CAN STILL MAKE YOUR DECISION AFTER SEEING US DIRECTLY.
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YOUR LIFE POINTS... YOU'RE PRETTY SHORT ON THEM, RIGHT?
!
PERSONALLY, I FEEL IT WOULD BE A WASTE, FOR EGGS WITH A LOT OF TALENT TO BREAK...
YOU GOT IT? IF IT GOES WELL, YOU CAN GAIN LIFE WITHOUT ANY RISK, ALRIGHT?
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Well then, I hope we can meet again~

YOU'RE TOTALLY TRYING TO MAKE IT MY FAULT!?
SEE, IT'S JUST LIKE I SAID. SOMETHING LIKE THIS HAPPENED BECAUSE NATSUHI'S HERE.

BOTH OF YOU, STOP IT ALREADY!!
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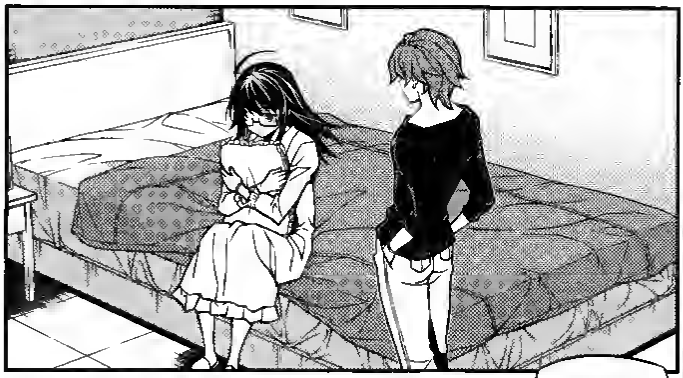
A GUILD...?
IS THERE REALLY SUCH A THING!? SOMETHING LIKE THAT...!?



ARE YOU REALLY PLANNING ON SLEEPING HERE? NEE-SAN?
I'LL KEEP DOING IT AS LONG AS NATSUHI-CHAN IS HERE.

STILL ...
IS SHE

I GUESS WE SHOULD TRY GOING AFTER ALL...
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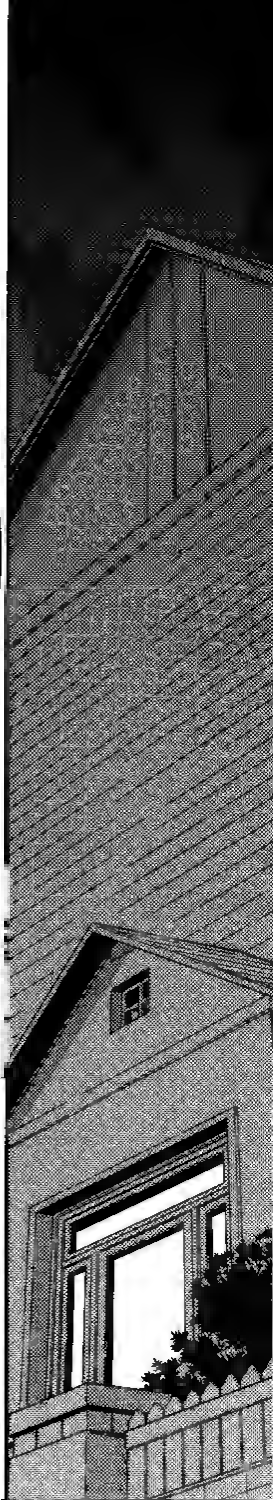

IF THAT STORY WERE TO BE TRUE, WE COULDN'T ASK FOR ANYTHING BETTER!
IF WE COULD GAIN LIFE WITHOUT THE FEAR OF BETRAYAL...!
YOU'RE GOING TO BELIEVE IT? WHAT THOSE TWO WERE TALKING ABOUT...!?
THERE'S JUST SOMETHING THAT'S BOTHERING ME. I WANT TO CONFIRM IT.
I'LL BE CAREFUL I WON'T BE FOUND, JUST IN CASE...!!
WE'LL JUST FIGURE OUT WHAT WE'LL BE DOING IN THE FUTURE AFTER WE CHECK THAT OUT! THIS IS THE MOST I CAN COMPROMISE...
NATSUHI WILL STAY WITH US UNTIL THEN.
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IF THERE IS NOTHING TO GAIN THERE,
MAKE NATSUHI-CHAN LEAVE UNCONDITI-ONALLY!
THEN... CAN YOU PROMISE ME THIS?
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I GOT IT.
I'LL DO THAT.
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NATSUHI, YOU GOT A SECOND?

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WHOA AAAAA!! SORRY!! SORRY!!!
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YOU'RE OVERRE-ACTING. IT'S OKAY, I'M FINE.
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I'M IN A POSITION WHERE I DON'T EVEN KNOW WHAT'LL HAPPEN TO ME TOMORROW. THAT DOESN'T BOTHER ME.
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IT'S NOT LIKE I'M LOSING ANYTHING IF I SHOW IT, EITHER...
ARE YOU... OKAY...?
HUH? YEAH...

I'M REALLY SORRY, NATSUHI ...
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I GUESS THERE'S NO WAY SHE'D BE OKAY...
AND SHE'S PURPOSELY TRYING TO BE LIVELY...
Pretty much~
JUST BECAUSE NEE-SAN IS TRYING TO PROTECT ME... I THINK SHE'S LOST HER COMPOSURE...
I KNOW IT'S SHAMELESS... BUT WOULD IT BE POSSIBLE IF YOU COULD UNDERSTAND HER...?

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HOW ABOUT YOU, REIJI?
HUH?

CAN YOU BELIEVE IN ME...?
CAN YOU REALLY SAY FOR SURE... THAT I'M NOT DANGEROUS?

OBVIOUSLY/ BECAUSE YOU'RE MY CHILDHOOD FRIEND.
I WILL PROTECT YOU.
I WILL NEVER LEAVE YOU BY YOURSELF.

AND BECAUSE OF THIS, IN THE NEXT INTERSPATIAL TIME I WANT TO TRY GETTING IN CONTACT WITH THOSE PEOPLE FROM BEFORE.
BUT IF WE DO THAT, YOU...
WON'T BE ABLE TO DO ANYTHING BUT WATCH YOUR LIFE POINTS DECREASE UNTIL THEN.
IT'S A CRUEL REQUEST, BUT... WILL YOU WAIT TOGETHER WITH US?
WHEN IS THAT INTERSPATIAL TIME?
TH-THAT'S...
I KNEW IT'D BE TOO MUCH... THERE'S TOO MUCH OF A RISK FOR NATSUHI.
SURE.
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IT'S PROBABLY IN 11 DAYS AT NIGHT...
THEN IF WE MESS UP THERE I'LL HAVE 8 LEFT...
I'LL BE OUT FOR SURE FOR THE NEXT ONE... I GUESS.

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A-A KISS ON THE CHEEK...?
NO, JUST NOW... OUR LIPS...

THERE'S NO WAY IT WAS A JOKE.
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You're excited for the next one, right~?
NATSUHI... THIS ISN'T A PROBLEM YOU SHOULD DECIDE ON JOKINGLY...

THAT WAS A REWARD FOR HELPING ME BEFORE.
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Protect me from now on, just like you are.
If you do, the rewards might keep getting upgraded~

I BELIEVE IN YOU,
REIJI.
NATSUHI.
THANKS...

11 DAYS LATER
SO THIS IS THE INTER-SPATIAL TIME...!!
IT'S HARD TO BELIEVE, EVEN THOUGH IT'S HAPPENING RIGHT IN FRONT OF ME...
THAT WAS QUITE A DISTANCE TO COVER BY WALKING.
WELL, IT WAS GOOD THAT WE GOT SOME EXERCISE~
SHE DID WELL IN MAINTAINING HER COMPOSURE UNTIL TODAY...
SHE HAS A STRONG WILL.

THE SPOT WRITTEN IN THIS NOTE... SHOULD BE SOMEWHERE AROUND HERE
KYA AAA AAA AAAA AAAA RGH!
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OVER THERE!
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WH-WHAT IS THAT GIANT THING...!?
A LARGE-SIZE!?
IT WAS SOMETHING THAT BIG!?

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THOSE PEOPLE... ARE ALL TAKERS!?
SO YOU CAME, AFTER ALL
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WHAT THEY WITNESSED THERE WAS AN UNBELIEVABLE SCENE...
IT'S... FINISHED
ISN'T IT ON A DIFFERENT SCALE FROM YOUR HUNTS?
WHAT DO YOU THINK?

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DEFEATED A LARGE-SIZE ANGEL...!!
THEY ACTUALLY...!

SO, YOU SHOWING UP HERE... CAN I TAKE IT TO MEAN YOU'VE ACCEPTED MY OFFER THE OTHER DAY?

GET READY.
PRINCESS!!

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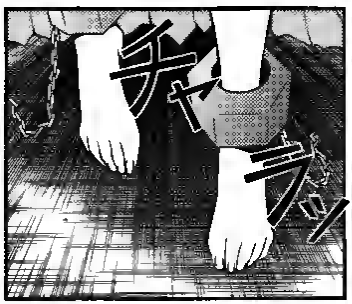
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THERE'S SOMEONE I'D LIKE TO INTRODUCE TO YOU.
LET'S GO.

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IS IT A WOMAN?
AN IRON... MASK...?
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SHE'S ABSORBING THE LIFE POINTS...
IS THAT WOMAN GOING TO ABSORB IT ALL...?
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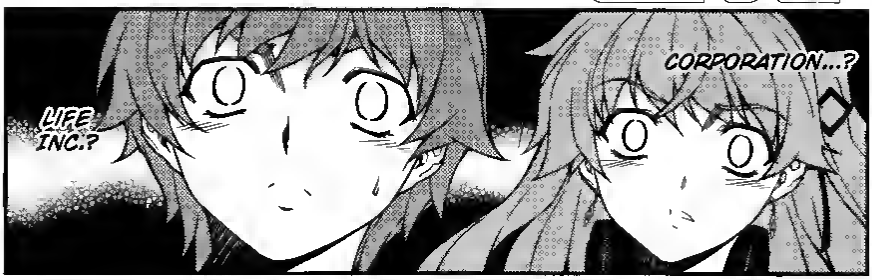
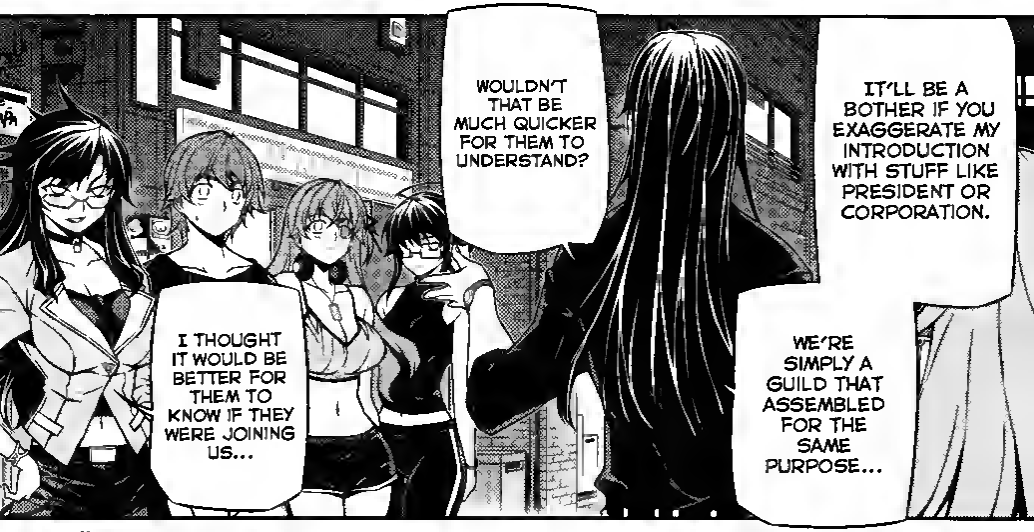
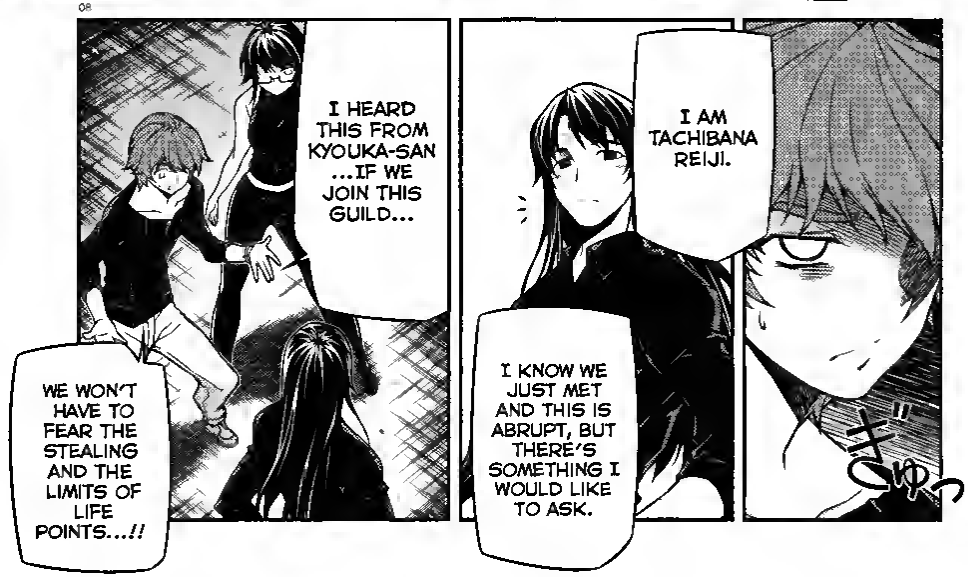
WHO ARE THEY,
KYOUKA?
THIS IS THE FIRST TIME I'VE SEEN YOU...

MMM...
THEY'RE THE SUPER ROOKIES I REPORTED ABOUT THE OTHER DAY.
THE ONES
WHO BLOOMED THE PHANTOM...

THAT PERSON IS...?
YEAH, THE VERY PERSON I WANTED YOU TO MEET.
I'LL INTRODUCE HIM.
HE IS THE CHIEF OF OUR GUILD...
OR RATHER, THE PRESIDENT OF THE CORPORATION LIFE INC...
ISHIGAMI RYUUSUKE.


LIFE INC.?
CORPORATION...?

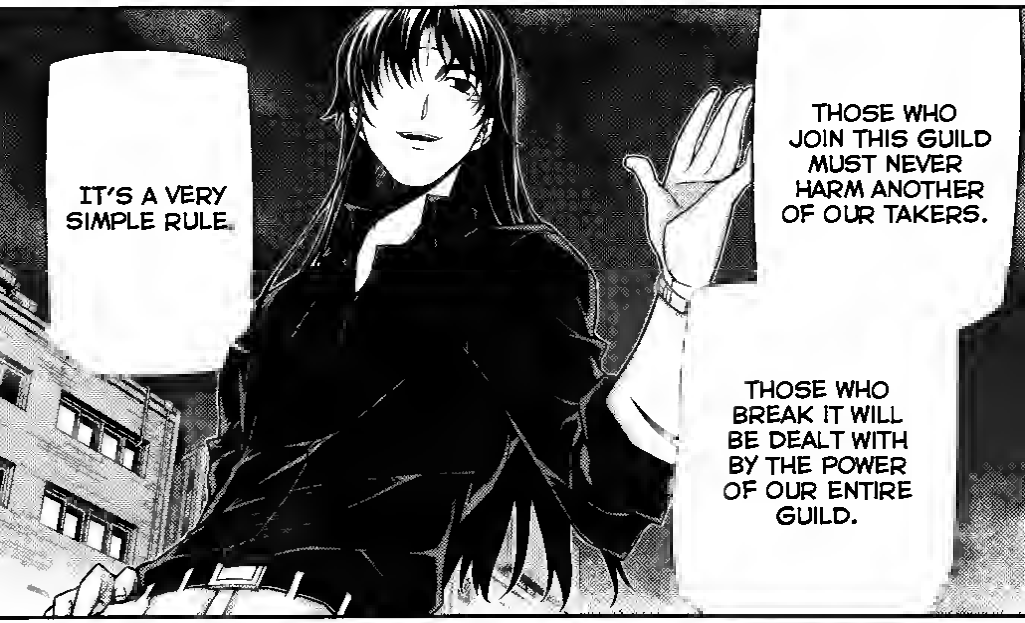

WOULDN'T THAT BE MUCH QUICKER FOR THEM TO UNDERSTAND?
IT'LL BE A BOTHER IF YOU EXAGGERATE MY INTRODUCTION WITH STUFF LIKE PRESIDENT OR CORPORATION.
I THOUGHT IT WOULD BE BETTER FOR THEM TO KNOW IF THEY WERE JOINING US...
WE'RE SIMPLY A GUILD THAT ASSEMBLED FOR THE SAME PURPOSE...


I HEARD THIS FROM KYOUKA-SAN ...IF WE JOIN THIS GUILD...
WE WON'T HAVE TO FEAR THE STEALING AND THE LIMITS OF LIFE POINTS...!!
I AM TACHIBANA REIJI.
I KNOW WE JUST MET AND THIS IS ABRUPT, BUT THERE'S SOMETHING I WOULD LIKE TO ASK.
EH?

AND WHAT IS THE RESTRAINT THAT ELIMINATES BETRAYAL BETWEEN EVERYONE!?
IS THAT TRUE?
TO SUM UP, THAT IS TRUE.
WE DON'T NEED TO FEAR LIFE POINTS, AND WE CANNOT BETRAY EACH OTHER...
THE WAY YOU SAID THAT...
TELLS ME YOU'VE ALSO HAD QUITE A GRIM PATH...
FOR HOW ABRUPT THEY ARE, THOSE ARE SOME QUESTIONS THAT STRIKE AT THE CORE...

WE HAVE INDEED ARRANGED A SYSTEM FOR THAT.
SINCE THAT IS OUR ABSOLUTE RULE.

RULE...?


IT'S A VERY SIMPLE RULE.
THOSE WHO JOIN THIS GUILD MUST NEVER HARM ANOTHER OF OUR TAKERS.
THOSE WHO BREAK IT WILL BE DEALT WITH BY THE POWER OF OUR ENTIRE GUILD.

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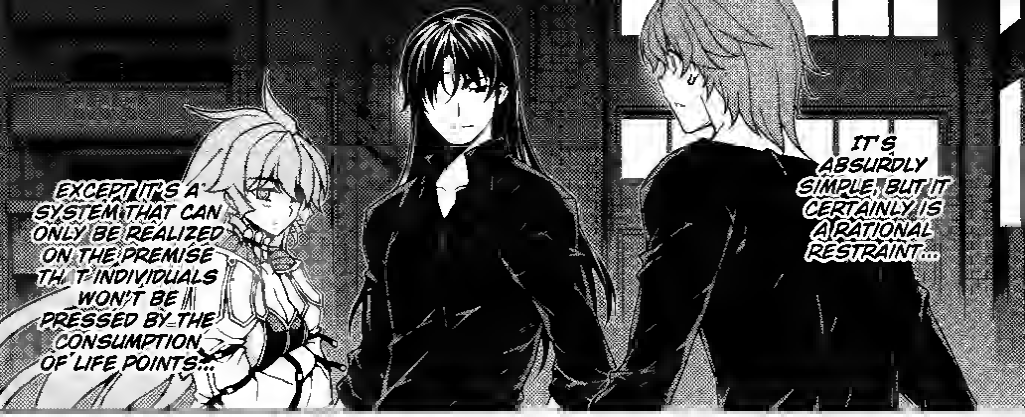
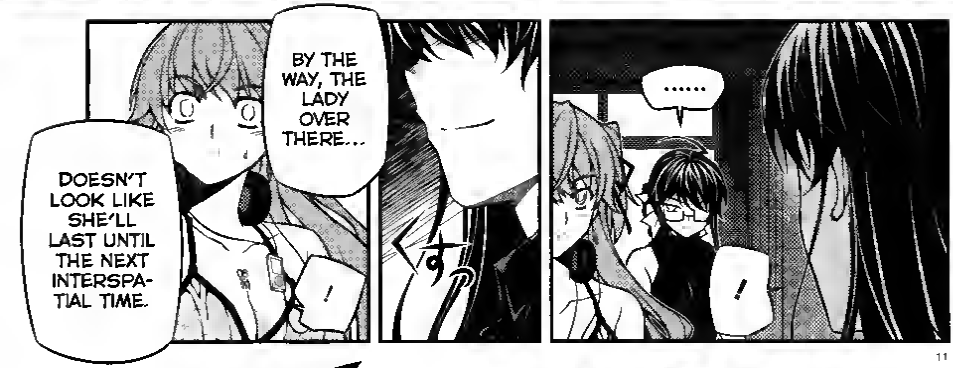
THOSE WHO BRING HARM TO ONE OF US...
WILL HAVE TO SUFFER A PUNISHMENT SEVERAL TIMES WORSE.
IS IT OKAY WITH SOMETHING SO SIMPLE?


EXCEPT IT'S A SYSTEM THAT CAN ONLY BE REALIZED ON THE PREMISE TH_T INDIVIDUALS WON'T BE PRESSED BY THE CONSUMPTION OF LIFE POINTS...
IT'S ABSURDLY SIMPLE, BUT IT CERTAINLY IS A RATIONAL RESTRAINT...


BY THE WAY, THE LADY OVER THERE...
DOESN'T LOOK LIKE SHE'LL LAST UNTIL THE NEXT INTERSPA-TIAL TIME.
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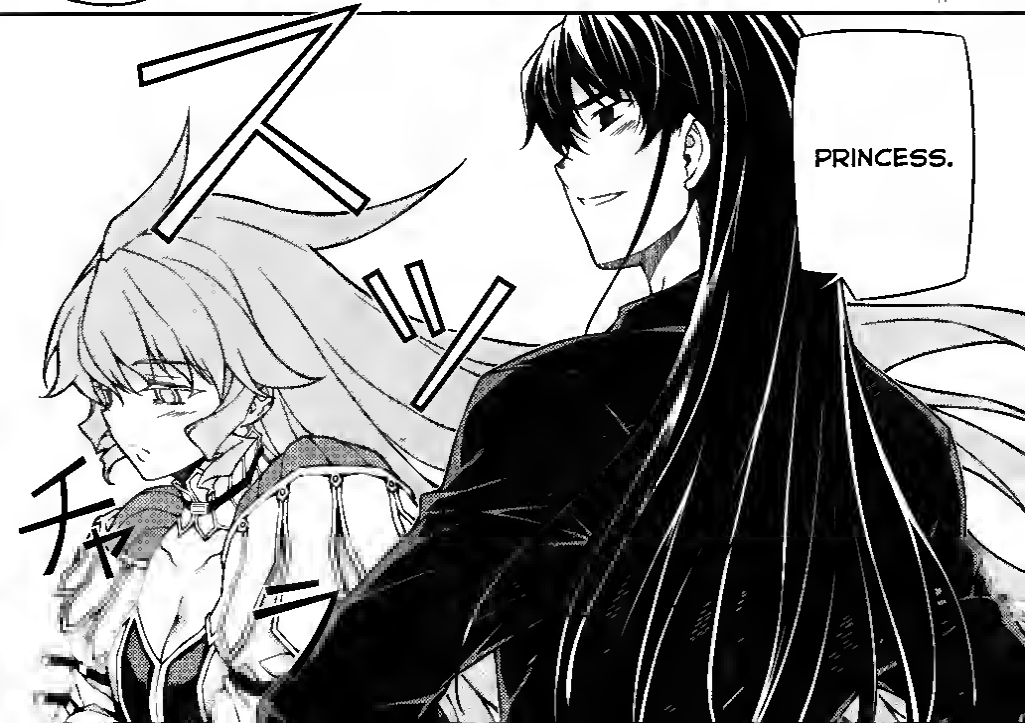
PRINCESS.
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THE ONE WHO TOOK ALL THE LIFE POINTS FOR HERSELF JUST NOW...!?
WHAT ARE YOU...!?

YOU DON'T NEED TO WORRY. WE WON'T DO ANYTHING BAD.
HOW MANY LIFE POINTS DO YOU CURRENTLY HAVE?

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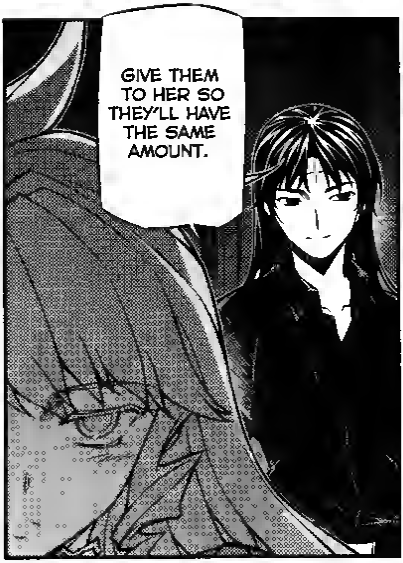
GIVE THEM TO HER SO THEY'LL HAVE THE SAME AMOUNT.

CAN I REVEAL IT...?
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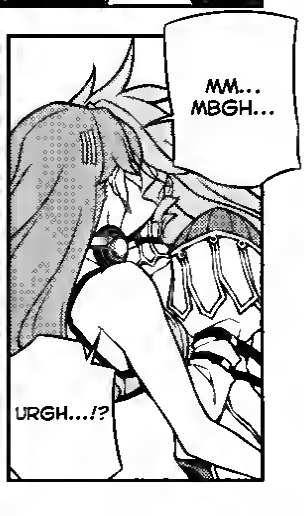
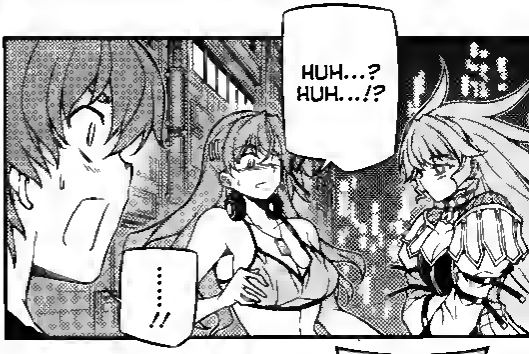

MM… MBGH…
URGH…!?

YOU MIGHT BECOME IMPORTANT GUESTS. THIS STREET CORNER ISN'T VERY SUITABLE...
FOR YOUR HOSPITALITY, IS IT...?


HUH...?
HUH...!?
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YOUR LIFE POINTS!?
COULD IT BE THAT THAT PERSON HAS AN ABILITY TO REPLENISH LIFE POINTS!?

IT'S A SKILL TO TRANSFER HER OWN LIFE POINTS TO OTHERS, TO BE PRECISE.
IT'S NOT LIKE SHE CAN INFINITELY RECOVER LIFE POINTS.

WHY DON'T WE CONTINUE AFTER CHANGING LOCATIONS?

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TSUKI-SHI-KUN, I'M SORRY, BUT CAN I ASK YOU TO MAKE TEA?
NOW THEN...

WHAT SHOULD I TALK ABOUT FIRST...?

THIS GUILD...
NO, IT WAS LIFE INC...
WHAT DOES IT DO?
SINCE IT'S A CORPORATION... DON'T YOU DO SOMETHING?

A REASONABLE QUESTION... YES,
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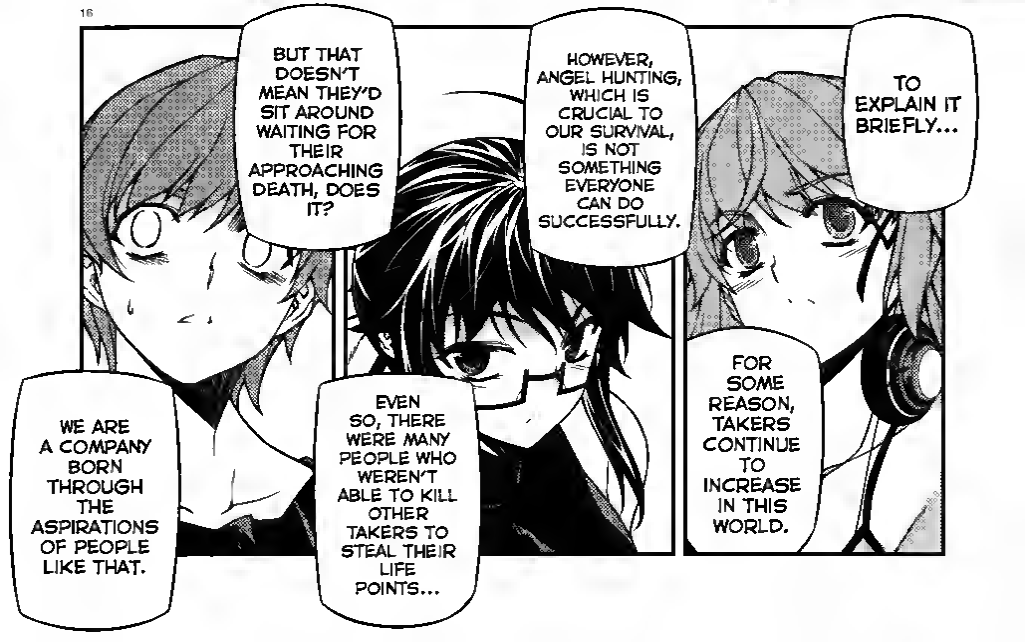
OF COURSE YOU'D BE INTERESTED IN WHAT THIS COMPANY IS.


TO EXPLAIN IT BRIEFLY...
HOWEVER, ANGEL HUNTING, WHICH IS CRUCIAL TO OUR SURVIVAL, IS NOT SOMETHING EVERYONE CAN DO SUCCESSFULLY.
BUT THAT DOESN'T MEAN THEY'D SIT AROUND WAITING FOR THEIR APPROACHING DEATH, DOES IT?
FOR SOME REASON, TAKERS CONTINUE TO INCREASE IN THIS WORLD.
EVEN SO, THERE WERE MANY PEOPLE WHO WEREN'T ABLE TO KILL OTHER TAKERS TO STEAL THEIR LIFE POINTS...
WE ARE A COMPANY BORN THROUGH THE ASPIRATIONS OF PEOPLE LIKE THAT.

IN OTHER WORDS, FOR TAKERS WHO ARE NOT ABLE TO FIGHT AGAINST ANGELS OR TO START KILLING EACH OTHER,
TO CONCENTRATE OUR POWER SO THEY CAN GAIN LIFE POINTS SAFELY AND STABLY... THAT'S WHAT WE MAINLY DO.

AN ORGANI-ZATION FOR PROTECTING GOOD TAKERS WITHOUT POWER!
IT'S A COMPANY FOR THAT!?

THERE'S A WAY TO BE SAVED IN A PLACE LIKE THIS...!!
I-IF WHAT YOU'RE SAYING IS TRUE...

ARE YOU SAYING... FOR FREE?
.....!

SUCH A ONE-SIDED AND RISKY BUSINESS... OF COURSE IT WON'T BE FREE OF CHARGE, RIGHT?
THERE MUST BE A PRICE IN EXCHANGE FOR THE LIFE POINTS.
NATSUHI...!
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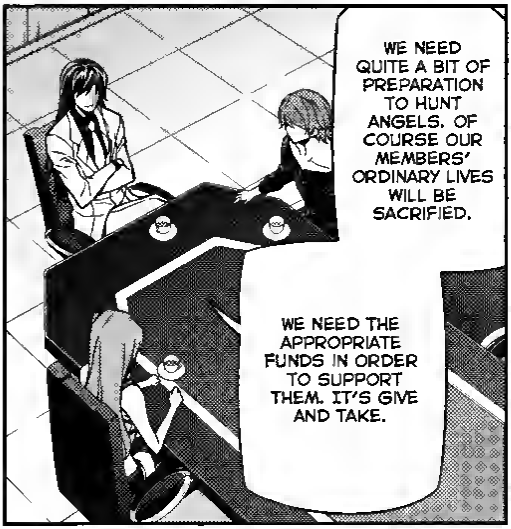
WHAT'S... THAT EXPENSE?
OF COURSE WE RECEIVE EXPENSES BEFITTING THAT.
WE ARE RISKING OUR LIVES TO SECURE LIFE.


WE NEED QUITE A BIT OF PREPARATION TO HUNT ANGELS. OF COURSE OUR MEMBERS' ORDINARY LIVES WILL BE SACRIFIED.
WE NEED THE APPROPRIATE FUNDS IN ORDER TO SUPPORT THEM. IT'S GIVE AND TAKE.

H-HOWEVER... THAT'S ALMOST LIKE...!!
I CAN'T DENY THAT.
BUYING LIVES WITH MONEY, ISN'T IT...?

OF COURSE, JUST AS THE WORD MEANS...
IT'S MONEY.

BUT TACHIBANA-KUN, YOU CAN'T LIVE IN OUR CURRENT SOCIETY WITHOUT MONEY, CAN YOU?
EVEN THOUGH WE'RE TAKERS, WE'RE ESSENTIALLY HUMAN SO THERE'S NO DIFFERENCE.
IT'S VERY RATIONAL.
TH... THAT'S TRUE, BUT...!
.....!?
GATHER LIFE POINTS AT HIGH RISK,
MAKE MONEY BY TRADING IT, AND TURN IT INTO AN ORGANI-ZATION.
THEN, PREVENT THE LARGEST PROBLEM, BETRAYAL BETWEEN TAKERS, AND GIVE THEM LIFE POINTS AND MONEY FOR THEIR WORK.
IT'S A REALLY WELL-MADE SYSTEM.
I'M HAPPY YOU WERE ABLE TO UNDER-STAND IT.
I'D LIKE TO MOVE ON TO OUR MAIN TOPIC, THEN...
NEE-SAN...?

WOULD YOU... LIKE TO JOIN OUR COMPANY?
AYAKA-NEE-SAN!?
DOES THAT MEAN YOU'RE SCOUTING US? DO YOU THINK WE HAVE THAT MUCH VALUE?
WE'LL... CONSIDER YOUR OFFER.
SO COULD WE EXCUSE OURSELVES FOR TODAY?
...
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YOU DO, IN ABUNDANCE... THAT'S WHY I CALLED YOU DIRECTLY TO OFFER YOU...
LET US THINK ABOUT IT FOR A LITTLE WHILE!

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OF COURSE. WELL THEN, THINK ABOUT IT AMPLY.
Let's go home then.

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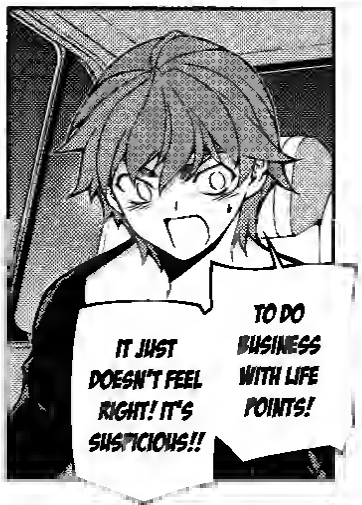
THEY'RE CAUTIOUS FOR TAKERS THESE DAYS.
IT'S PROBABLY THAT... THEY'VE SEEN THEIR FAIR SHARE OF BATTLES.

EVEN SO, THEY'RE JUST ON THE LEVEL OF CHILDREN... I SUPPOSE.

IT HAD ME IN AGREEMENT, THOUGH... REIJI'S SAFETY CAN BE MAINTAINED WITH THAT, TOO.
AGREEMENT!?


TO DO BUSINESS WITH LIFE POINTS!
IT JUST DOESN'T FEEL RIGHT! IT'S SUSPICIOUS!!

THEN ARE YOU SAYING YOU'RE GOING TO JOIN THEM, NEE-SAN?

IT'S MORE REALISTIC THAN THE FAIRY TALE MISAKI-SAN SPOKE OF.
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WHAT THAT ISHIGAMI PERSON WAS SAYING WAS LOGICALLY SOUND.
REGULATIONS YOU MUST OBEY, A WAY TO TRANSFER LIFE POINTS—
IT'S ALL TOO RATIONAL AS AN ENVIRONMENT FOR TAKERS TO CONTINUE SURVIVING IN.

HEY! WHY ARE YOU BRINGING THE TOPIC TO...
ACK!?
You sister complex
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GEEZ~ THAT WAS WHERE YOU SHOULD CLEARLY MAKE UP YOUR MIND!!
I'LL FOLLOW YOUR DECISION ON THAT, REIJI.
S-SINCE WHEN... DID I TAKE ON A... ROLE LIKE THAT...?
Don't hit my wrists.
YOU'RE A BOY!!

ISHIGA MI-SAN'S LOGIC IS VERY RATIONAL.
I THINK IT'S A WELL-MADE SYSTEM.
AN ORGANIZATION THAT TRADES PEOPLE'S LIVES FOR MONEY!..
IS IT REALLY OKAY IF WE SIDE OURSELVES WITH IT...?
IF I DON'T DECIDE SOON...' NATSUHI...
AND NEE-SAN WOULD ALSO REGARD NATSUHI AS A THREAT AGAIN...
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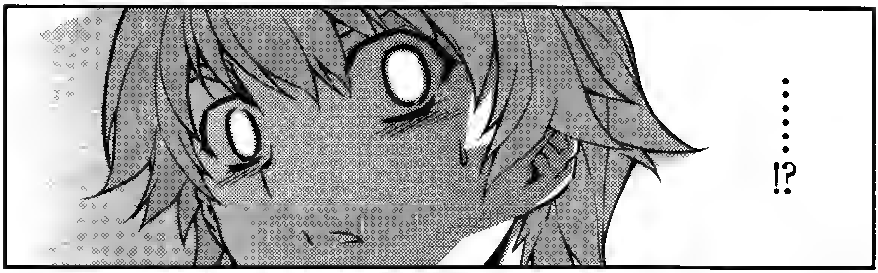
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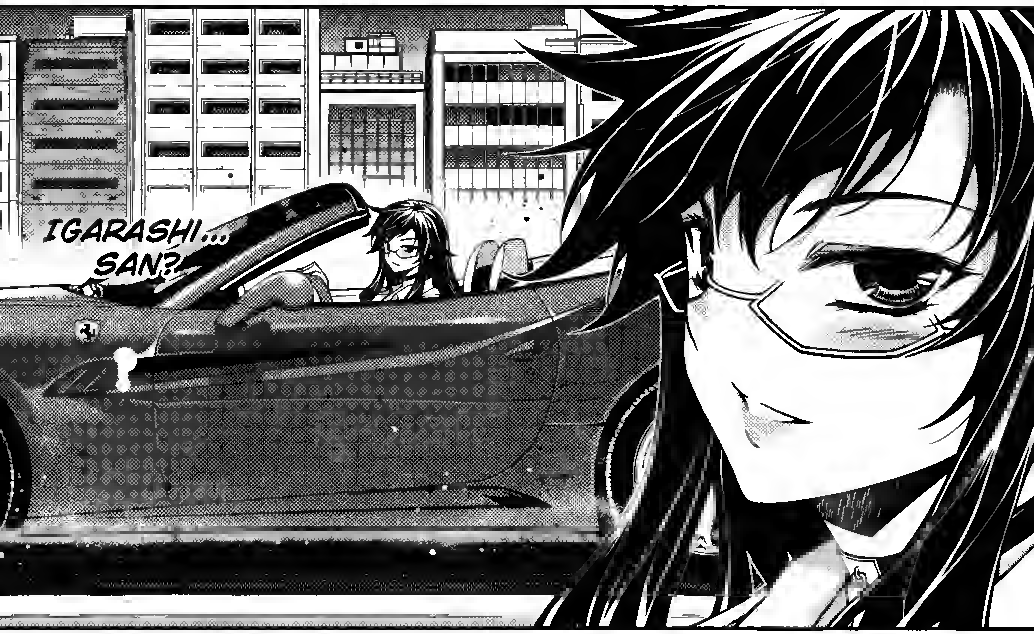
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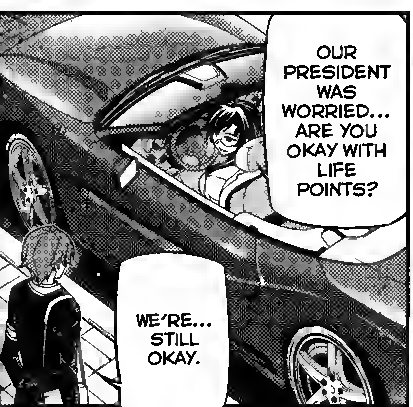
OUR PRESIDENT WAS WORRIED… ARE YOU OKAY WITH LIFE POINTS?
WE'RE… STILL OKAY.

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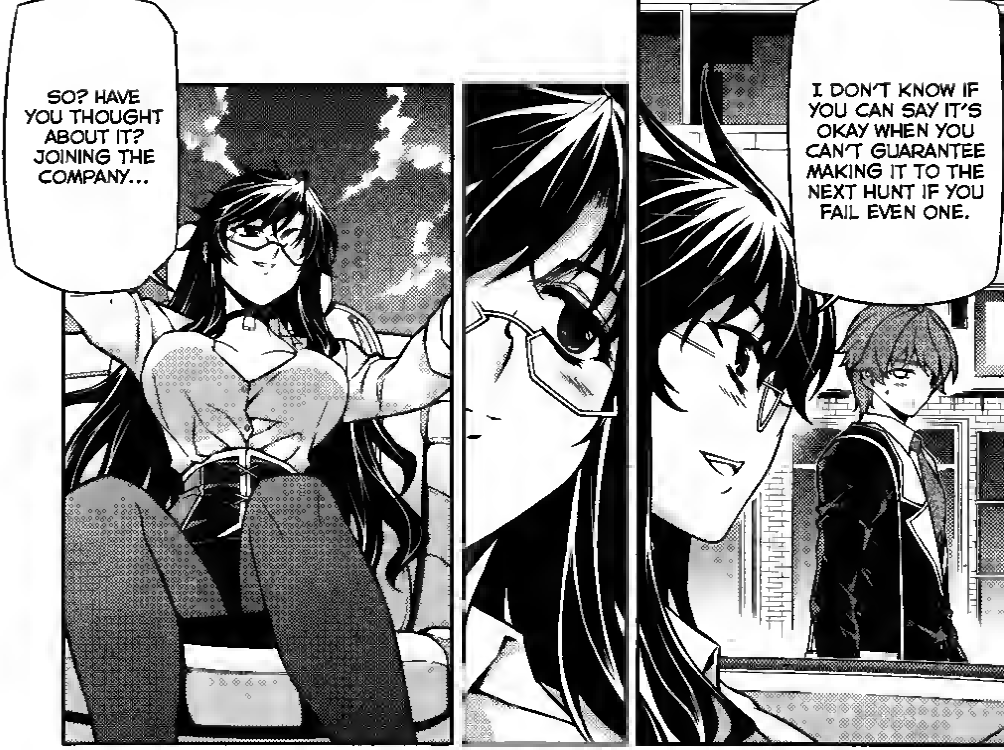
W-WHO KNOWS.
WHAT A COINCIDENCE TO MEET IN A PLACE LIKE THIS, EH?
MAYBE WE HAVE SOME SORT OF CONNECTION…?


SO? HAVE YOU THOUGHT ABOUT IT? JOINING THE COMPANY...
I DON'T KNOW IF YOU CAN SAY IT'S OKAY WHEN YOU CAN'T GUARANTEE MAKING IT TO THE NEXT HUNT IF YOU FAIL EVEN ONE.

GET IN FOR NOW.
EXCUSE ME?
YEAH...
BUT I CAN'T REALLY DECIDE, TO BE HONEST

I'M TELLING YOU TO GET IN.
I'LL DRIVE YOU HOME.
N-NO... I'M ALMOST THERE...!
WHAT? ARE YOU TRYING TO HUMILIATE A GIRL?
OR IS IT THAT YOU DON'T WANT TO ASSOCIATE WITH A MIDDLE-AGED WOMAN?
I-I-IT'S NOT LIKE THAT!!
YOU'RE MEAN, REIJI-KUN...
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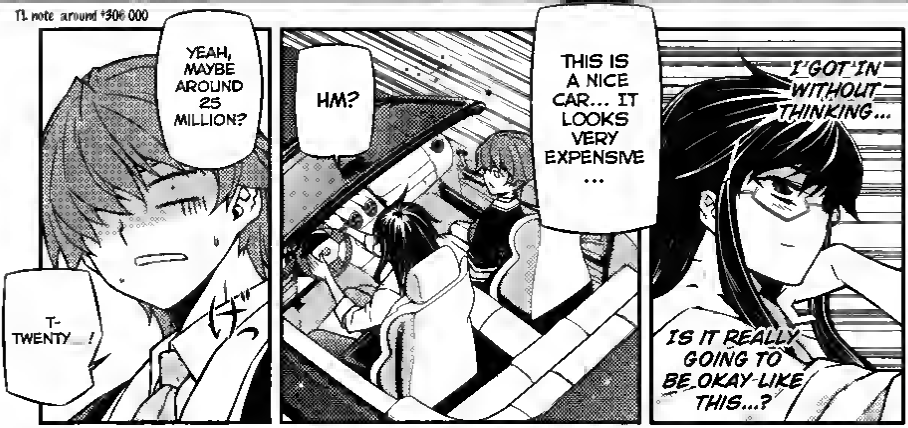
YEAH, MAYBE AROUND 25 MILLION?
T-TWENTY...!
HM?
THIS IS A NICE CAR... IT LOOKS VERY EXPENSIVE...
I'GOT IN WITHOUT THINKING...
IS IT REALLY GOING TO BE OKAY LIKE THIS...?

IF I DON'T HAVE IT, SOMEONE ELSE WILL JUST TAKE IT.
I'M WORKING WITH MY LIFE ON THE LINE, AFTER ALL. ISN'T THIS AMOUNT OF LUXURY NATURAL?
THE WORLD IS A "ZERO-SUM GAME" REGARDLESS OF TAKERS AND WHATNOT.

I DON'T THINK SO.
BECAUSE IT'S NOT A WORLD LIKE THAT, AND TO MAKE SURE IT DOESN'T BECOME LIKE THAT...
PEOPLE CAME UP WITH WAYS TO HELP EACH OTHER OUT!
YOU'RE SCARY WHEN YOU GET SULLEN. ARE YOU UNEXPECTEDLY THE TYPE WHO HAS TO HAVE HIS WAY? HOW CUTE~
HUH? N-NO... THAT'S NOT WHAT I INTENDED...
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Huuh!?
A date!!? Even though they're waiting for meeee!?
IT'S KIND OF MOE!
I'M NOT GOING TO RETURN YOU HOME!
LET'S GO ON A DATE!
A DATE!!

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IGARASHI-SAN...
IT'S A LIE THAT WE MET BY COINCIDE-NCE, RIGHT?
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Now~ don't hold back and you can keep ordering whatever you want~ you're growing, right?
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AND IF IT WAS?
DID THE COMPANY PUT YOU UP TO THIS? TO PERSUADE US TO JOIN...?
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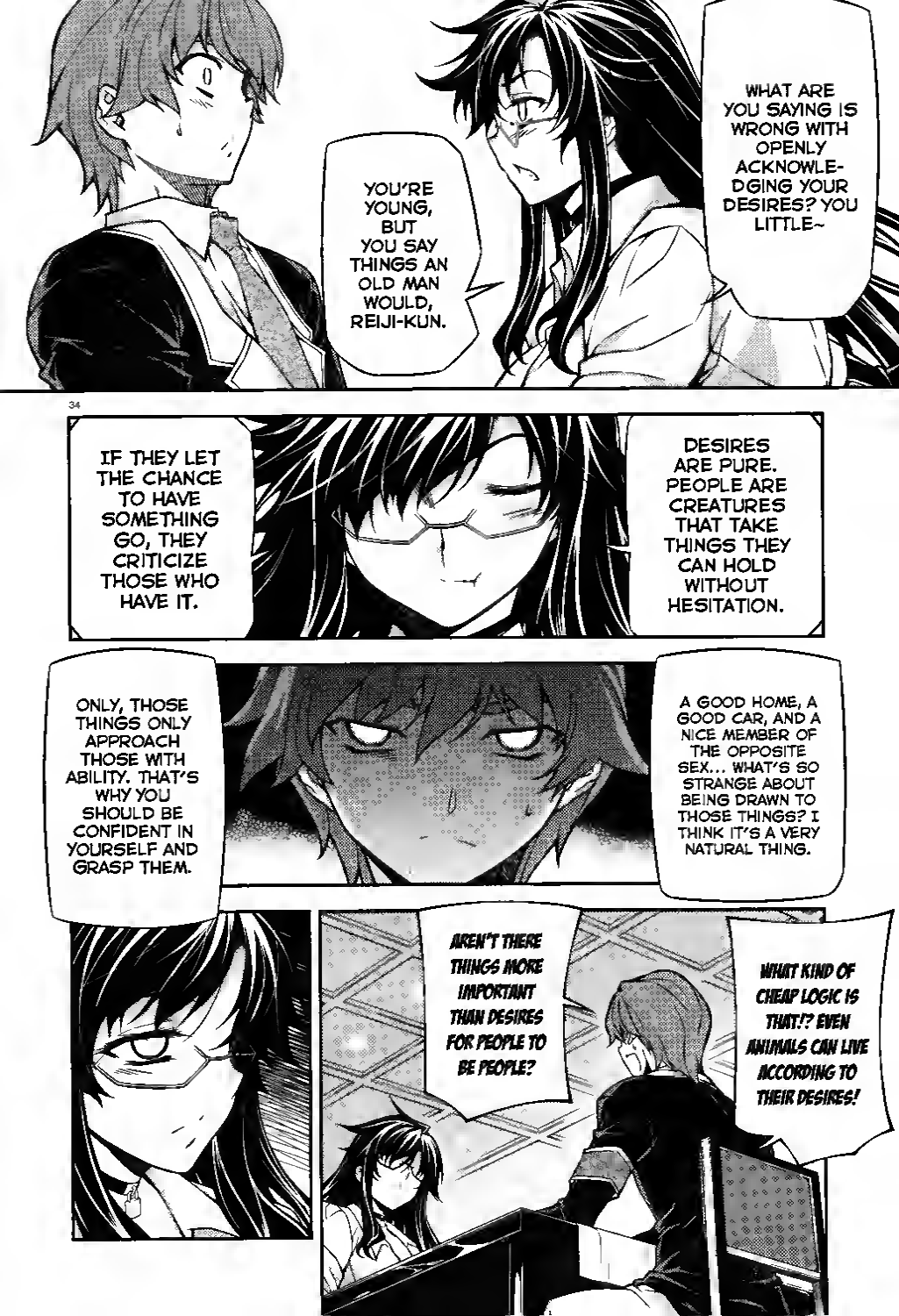
DO THEY THINK I'D BE OKAY WITH IT RIGHT AWAY IF YOU SHOWED ME THE MONEY AND ENVIRON-MENT?
PLEASE DON'T UNDERE-STIMATE US.
I DON'T HAVE ANY INTENTION OF HANDLING HUMAN LIFE WITH COVETOUS FEELINGS!


YOU'RE YOUNG, BUT YOU SAY THINGS AN OLD MAN WOULD, REIJI-KUN.
WHAT ARE YOU SAYING IS WRONG WITH OPENLY ACKNOWLE-DGING YOUR DESIRES? YOU LITTLE~
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IF THEY LET THE CHANCE TO HAVE SOMETHING GO, THEY CRITICIZE THOSE WHO HAVE IT.
DESIRES ARE PURE. PEOPLE ARE CREATURES THAT TAKE THINGS THEY CAN HOLD WITHOUT HESITATION.
ONLY, THOSE THINGS ONLY APPROACH THOSE WITH ABILITY. THAT'S WHY YOU SHOULD BE CONFIDENT IN YOURSELF AND GRASP THEM.
A GOOD HOME, A GOOD CAR, AND A NICE MEMBER OF THE OPPOSITE SEX... WHAT'S SO STRANGE ABOUT BEING DRAWN TO THOSE THINGS? I THINK IT'S A VERY NATURAL THING.
AREN'T THERE THINGS MORE IMPORTANT THAN DESIRES FOR PEOPLE TO BE PEOPLE?
WHAT KIND OF CHEAP LOGIC IS THAT!? EVEN ANIMALS CAN LIVE ACCORDING TO THEIR DESIRES!

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WELL, I DON'T KNOW ABOUT THAT.

YOU SAY ALL THAT...
BUT I WONDER HOW MUCH CONTROL YOU HAVE OVER YOUR DESIRES...?

I HAVE TO WORK HARD ALL THE TIME TO BECOME LIKE THAT...
IT-IT'S TRUE THAT IT'S NOT SOMETHING I CAN SAY FOR SURE, BUT...
DIDN'T YOU... JUST NOW
IMAGINE THE SHAPE OF MY BREASTS?
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YOU WANT TO SEE THE REST THAT'S HIDDEN BY MY CLOTHES... WHAT THEY FEEL LIKE IF YOU TOUCHED THEM...
WHAT COLOR THEY ARE... DIDN'T YOU IMAGINE THINGS LIKE THAT?
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HEY!! THERE'S AN EXTENT TO JOKES...!

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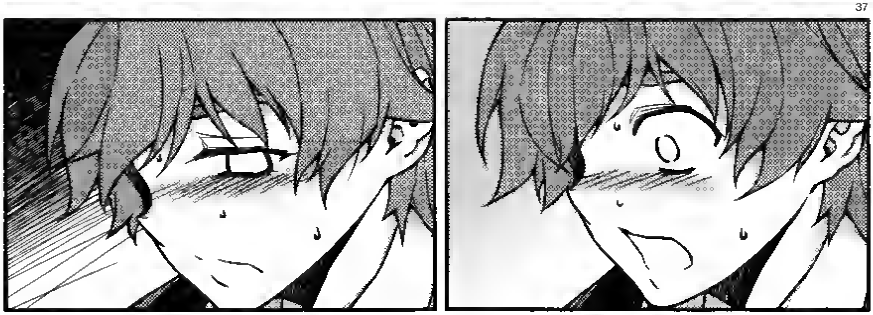
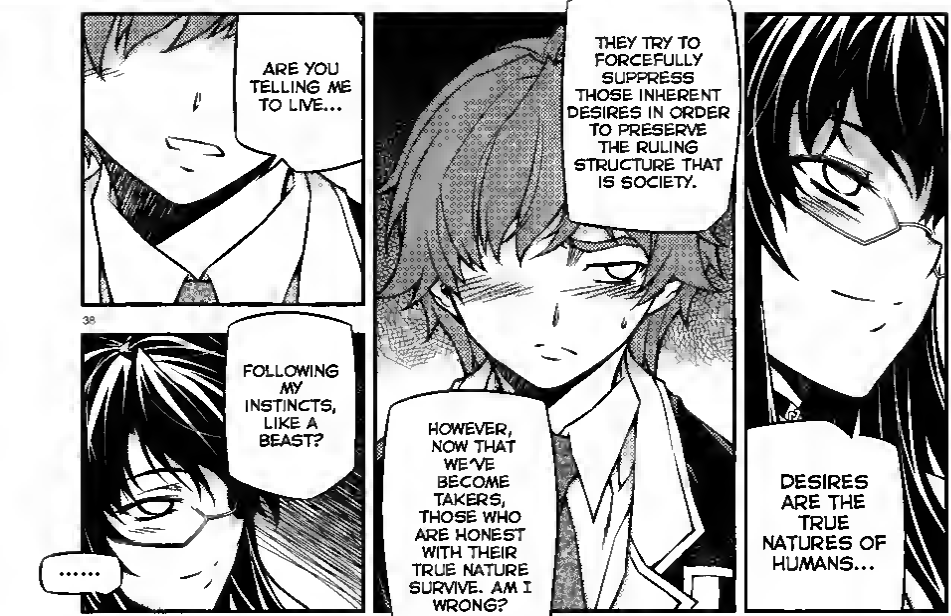


OH— RIGHT HERE...
IT'S VERY HONEST, UNLIKE YOUR THOUGHTS


ARE YOU TELLING ME TO LIVE...
FOLLOWING MY INSTINCTS, LIKE A BEAST?
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THEY TRY TO FORCEFULLY SUPPRESS THOSE INHERENT DESIRES IN ORDER TO PRESERVE THE RULING STRUCTURE THAT IS SOCIETY.
HOWEVER, NOW THAT WE'VE BECOME TAKERS, THOSE WHO ARE HONEST WITH THEIR TRUE NATURE SURVIVE. AM I WRONG?
DESIRES ARE THE TRUE NATURES OF HUMANS...

THEN I'LL CHANGE THE WAY I SAY IT... IF YOU'RE THAT CONFIDENT, THEN THERE'S ACTUALLY NO NEED TO HESITATE, IS THERE?
YOU MUST HAVE... BEEN RAISED PROPERLY BY GOOD PARENTS.
YOU'RE TOO STUBBORN, EVEN THOUGH YOU'RE STILL A HIGH SCHOOL STUDENT...
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TAKE ADVANTAGE OF THE COMPANY...!
BUT IF THAT CONVICTION OF YOURS IS CERTAIN, YOU CAN STAY THE SAME.
YOU CAN PROTECT PEOPLE THAT ARE IMPORTANT TO YOU WITH THE POWER YOU OBTAIN BY DOING THAT... YOU DON'T HAVE A PROBLEM WITH THIS, DO YOU?
REGARDLESS, THERE THEY HOLD A LARGE POWER THAT YOU DON'T HAVE.
YOU... ARE WARY OF BEING DRAWN IN BY THAT POWER AND INDULGING IN IT.

PUT PROTECTING THOSE PRECIOUS TO YOU AND FULFILLING YOUR DESIRES ONTO THE SAME TABLE...
THAT'S WHAT AN ADULT IS.

I THINK IT'S A TRULY NOBLE THING.
THE DESIRE TO NOT ONLY PROTECT YOURSELF, BUT TO PROTECT OTHERS... IN ORDER TO ACCOMPLISH THAT, AT TIMES COMPROMISE IS ALSO NECESSARY.

REIJI...!

REIJI!!
BE CAREFUL!!

I THINK IT'S RATIONAL!!
REIJI'S SAFETY CAN BE MAINTAINED THAT WAY.
DESIRES...
FOR PROTECTING OTHERS... IS IT?

THOSE CHILDREN... DO YOU THINK THEY HAVE THAT MUCH VALUE...?
ENOUGH TO INVEST LIFE POINTS IN THEM...?
VALUE... HUH. THEY HAVE MORE THAN ENOUGH OF THAT
IF KYOUKA'S REPORT IS TRUE.
IN ANY CASE...
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THEY MIGHT BE ABLE TO BECOME THE KEY...
THE STRONGEST TAKER ALSO CASTS HER SHADOW HERE... NEXT ISSUE, COLOR PAGES TO CELEBRATE THE VOLUME RELEASE!!
TO SOLVE THE MATTER WITH NIKAIDOU RAN...
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